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SHORT TERM OF CRIMINAL COURT.

Criminal court convned at the court house here Monday with Judge J. W. Bouton presiding. A long calendar was heard and disposed of and work of the grand jury was finished.

John Riegel of Kane was elected foreman of the grand jury. The grand jury acted on the following cases: Commonwealth vs. Sam Lasky of Bradford charged with larceny as bailee found to be no true bill. No true bill was found in the case of the Commonwealth vs. B. C. Nusbaum of Bradford. The case of the Commonwealth vs. George Clark for assault and battery was delared a true bill. Owing to the death of the prosecutor no true bills were found in the cases of the Commonwealth vs. Florence Vandermark for larceny and against Wallace Vandermark for assault and battery.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. Earl Johnson, a young boy of Kane charged with burglary, the lad pleaded guilty and sentence was suspended. William Eagon of Bradford charged with larceny was also let off on suspended sentence after pleading guilty. He was placed upon parole under probation officer James A. Lindsley for two years.

George Causer pleaded guilty to a violation of the dog law of 1917 and was fined $100 and the costs of prosecution. Pearl Baker of Bradford charged with maintaining a disorderly house pleaded guilty and was fined $25 and costs. The case of the Commonwealth vs. William Heenan, surety of the peace, was not prossed.

The murder case of the Commonwealth vs. Ira Stanley Engle of Hazelhurst was continued until the next term of court. The case of the Commonwealth vs. George Clark of Bradford for assault and battery was heard.

The following cases were continued: Commonwalth vs. Swift & company, violation of the pure food act; Commonwealth vs. Frank Whitley, statutory burglary and arson; Commonwealth vs. Gra t Smith, f. and b., nol pros.

The court took occasion to call the attention of the constables to the fact that the township supervisors are responsible for keeping the roads of the county in good condition. It was stated that the supervisors are not performing their duties in this regard and the constables were instructed to fulfill their functions as officers of the law should the township officials persist in their neglect of the roads.

Ralph Briggs of Erie officiated as court stenographer in the absence of Frank C. Whiting, who is a patient at the Bradford hospital.

The session of the grand jury was the shortest on record.

Tuesday the case of Orlando Francisco, charged with the murder of Guiseppe Pascaelli and Mrs. Josephine Revitte in Bradford on Thanksgiving day, 1917, was continued until the October term because of the illness of an important witness.

George Clark of Bradford, charged with assault and battery, whose case was heard Monday, was fined $50 and costs.

Court was adjourned until Thursday at 2 p. m., when motions will be heard. The jurors and others left for home as soon as the session was over.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Mrs. Lloyd Kohn and Miss Ruth Hunter will entertain a party of young ladies this evening at the home of Mrs. Anna Anderson on East Main street at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Anna Anderson, a bride elect.

—Mrs. Henry Hamlin is ill with pneumonia at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. H. Rose, in Binghamton, N. Y. Late reports from Mrs. Hamlin are most favorable for an early recovery.

—Mrs. Norman Hull has received thea letter from her husband who is in the American aviation service, at present stationed in England, informing her that he had been promoted and is now a sergeant.

—Miss Ruth Jones went to Olean to-day with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Choate where she will consult Dr. Tindolph in regard to the trouble she has been having for some time with her ear.

—Miss Leonore Lemmler has completed a successful term of school at Shinglehouse and is home for the summer vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lemmler.

—Mrs. P. H. McMahon of East Smethport, has received word of the safe arrival of her grandson, Clinton McMahon, overseas.

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING.

A regular meeting of the borough council was called to order by the president, C. M. Colegrove, at 8:20 p. m., Monday evening.

Members present: C. M. Colegrove, Claude Hackett, B. T. Garlick, J. S. Hull, W. B. Hopper and John A. Lindholme.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 6, 1918, were read and approved.

The following bills were read:

Standard Sign Co., signs & posts	12.20
R.-B. Mfg. Co., 1000 mantles	$145.00
Elbert F. Stevens, dump wagon	80.00
American La France Fire Engine Co., pole socket for engine	25.31
Holmes & Gilfillan, plank, gasoline, oil, etc.	39.48
W. F. Specht, compensation ins. premium	3.41
M. H. Kelly, freight & hauling	5.54
M. H. Kelly, horse and snow plow	4.00
M. H. Kelly, team	12.00
E. L. Keenan, solicitor	12.50
J. J. Hallstrom, street com.	75.00
C. B. Dickinson, police	70.00
C. B. Dickinson for board of health	6.00
L. D. Gifford, labor	74.25
Fred Anderson, labor	12.00
Oscar Anderson, labor	12.00
Reuben Hall, labor	2.75
H. C. Wells, fumigating lamp	4.20
McKean Miner, notice	.75

Moved by Hackett and seconded by Garlick that bills as read be paid. Carried.

Treas. Chas. Lemmler reported a balance on hand of $1116.90.

Moved by Hackett and seconded by Hull that Treasurer, Chas. Lemmler be authorized to receive and r ceipt for the borough from the county treasurer for any license or other money in county treasurer hands. Carried.

Moved by Hackett, seconded by Hopper that an order be drawn for $97.95 in favor of the Smethport Firemen's Relief Assn. for the amount of Foreign Insurance received. Carried.

W. B. Hopper, of committee on fire hydrants, etc., reported that a new hydrant should be bought and placed on West Main street between the residence of T. H. Morrison and E. R. Mayo, and that other hydrants not now in use be placed.

The same committee also reported that they had interviewed Mr. Herzog in regard to the Herzog dam and that he wanted $10 a month to look after the splash and keep same in repair, the borough to furnish the material.

Moved by Garlick and seconded by Hackett that a new hydrant be purchased and placed on West Main street between T. H. Morrison's and E. R. Mayo's. Carried.

Moved by Hackett and seconded that a committee of three be appointed to interview the Water Co. to see if they would not make a concession in their rates so that repairs could be made to the Herzog dam so that water might be had for fire fighting purposes and that the same committee see if any contributions could be secured for the same purpose. Carried.

The president appointed B. T. Garlick, W. B. Hopper and Claude Hackett as such committee.

Moved by Hackett and seconded by Hopper that the petition for a sidewalk on Green street be taken up and discussed. Carried.

Moved by Hackett and seconded by Lindholm that a sidewalk be ordered built from in front of the Karlen property to the Richmond property on Green street and, that the borough build the crossing across State street. This question was discussed and it was decided that on accocunt of the high price of material and labor that the same should not be ordered at this time. The following voted against the petition: Hopper, Garlick, Hull, Hackett and Lindholm.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p. m.

171 REGISTERED IN THIS DISTRICT.

Yesterday was registration day for men who have become 21 years old since June 5, 1917. Members of the board for the second district of McKean county established registration stations at Smethport, Mt. Jewett and Kane, thus saving long trips for the registrants. The stations were kept open until 9 o'clock last night and shortly after that hour announcement was made that one hundred and seventy-one young men registered in this district.

—Harry Malcolm, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Malcolm, who has been ill with scarlet fever is making rapid recovery.

BROWNELL GROCERY SELLING OUT.

The Brownell Grocery, one of the oldest mercantile establishments in McKean county, is selling out its stock this week and will go out of business as far as its present management is concerned. The late Judge William Brownell conducted this store for many years, then it passed into the hands of his sons, Fred and George Brownell, who ran the business for a number of years until George's death occurred. Fred Brownell continued the business for still more years until his health failed him, and his sons took charge of the store. These young men, Howard, William and Robert, with Howard the acting manager, have continued the success of the store, but war times have intervened and William has gone to training camp. The remaining boys wish to enter other fields of endeavor so that this famous establishment, so closely identified with the history of Smethport, will pass out of the management of the Brownell family.

In days gone by this store was the favorite gathering place of a coterie of townspeople most of whom have joined the silent majority. Topics of the day and politics were discussed at length and the crowd almost attained the dignity of a debating club—sickness being the only excuse for the absence of a member. It is with sorrowful regret that the MINER chronicles the passing of this famous establishment out of the control of the Brownell family.

TO CONTEST MR. JONES NOMINATION.

Alleging that the poling places in Helvetia precinct of Brady township Clearfield county, was arbitrarily removed from the regularly advertised election house to the building of Squire L. V. Lewis for the primary election May 21, William I. Swoope, George T. Underwood, C. A. Stewart, Alfred Graham and George B. Reed have secured from Judge Bell an order returnable Monday, June 10, directing the County Commissioners of Clearfield county; Evan J. Jones of Bradford, Pa., Republican candidate for nomination to Congress; John P. Rogers of DuBois, Democratic nominee for Legislature; and H. H. Sweeney of Houtzdale, chairman-elect of the Republican county committee, to show cause why the ballot box should not be opened and the returns canvassed with a view to determining the legality of the election.

The elimination of this district would give the nomination to Mr. Swoope by a plurality of eight votes.

DRAFTED MAN IN TROUBLE.

Clayton Ostrander was arrested on Wednesday morning on a charge of robbing W. H. Miller, a teamster for Bert Lynch. Miller has a room upstairs in the Lynch barn, and early Wednesday moning woke up to find someone going through his pockets. Ostrander was given a hearing Wednesday before Justice Teater, and bound over to court at Smethport. Ostrander was one of the drafted men and was to report at Smethport Friday to go with the McKean County contingent to Columbus Barracks.—Port Allegany Argus. Young Ostrander will be sent by the sheriff with the next contingent leaving for training camp. Because there was not time to bring the matter before the court this week, he has been placed under bail and will be called upon to answer the charge when his term of enlistment expires.

LETTER FROM REV. J. S. FLEMING

New York City, May 15th

Smethport Red Cross:

Dear Friends:

This a. m. when I was about to leave Philadelphia for here the package sent by you came.

It was a great surprise and is greatly appreciated.

Shall never forget you kind friends for remembering me at this time.

Expect to leave here almost any day.

Kindly express my appreciation to the members of the Red Cross for their kindness.

Mrs. Fleming and the boys were very well when I left them this a. m.

Sincerely yours

J. S. FLEMING.

—Mrs. Bernard Ball and Miss Rita Corton entertained the members of the Cononada Camp Fire and their guardian, Miss Carrie A. Day, at the home of Mrs. Ball on Bank street, Tuesday evening. A dinner was served at six o'clock.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

Th Smethport High School Commencement exercises were held at the Lyceum and were attended by a crowd that taxed the capacity of the big auditorium. The opening number "America" by the school and audience was sung with a vim, and was followed by a chorus by the High School. Rev. W. P. Wheeler pronounced the invocation and a double quartette rendered a selection that was much enjoyed. The feature of the evening followed in the address. "Emergency Training," delivered by Dr. E. E. Sparks, president of Pennsylvania State College. Dr. Sparks is one of the most gifted orators in the state, and his address on this occasion was of a thrillingly patriotic nature that occasioned outbursts of hearty applause from hearers. At the conclusion a vocal trio composed of Mrs. E. E. Bouton and Misss Birdie Monheimer and Dorothy Hogarth sang a selection that was favorably recived.

"A Message from a Four Minute Man" followed. Attorney Fred D. Gallup delivered the message in his usual eloquent style. The presentation of diplomas then occurred. The school and audience sang "The Star Spangled Banner," and Rev. W. P. Wheeler delivered the benediction.

Following are the names of those receiving diplomas: Margaret Starkweather, valedictorian; Dorothy Wooster, salutatorian; Mary McCarthy, Mabel Venlrees, Sara VanBlad, Mable Olson, Lenarda Flagg, Leona Keesler, Olive Thomas, Edith Carry, Lois Stratton, Vera Jones, Rita Roeder, Dorothy Eastman, Helen Haven Ella Moody, Marie Smith, William Howe, Birdie Monheimer, Dorothy Hogarth, Ralph Hornlein, Raymond Comes, Sandford Decker, Arthur Pickersgill, Daniel Gonia, Ralph O'Connor.

WAKE UP, SMETHPORT BOARD OF TRADE.

About two weeks ago the Pittsburgh Shawmut & Northern railroad car shops were burned to the ground at Angelica, N. Y. Reports the first of the week said that the railroad company had not decided where they would rebuild the shops, but were looking for advantageous offers from towns along the line. This is an important industry that employs a number of men at good wages the year around; just the sort of an industry that should appeal to the sensible business men of Smethport. The town could offer inducements, were the citizens so minded, that ought to give this town preference over many others. This is a matter that is worth looking over at once. Who will take the initiative?

JAMES DALY ENLISTED.

James Daly, a popular cutter, who has been employed at the Smethport Window Glass plant for years, couldn't longer resist the longing to get a crack at the Germans, and enlisted in Olean this week in the regular army and is now under training for service abroad. The local Red Cross equipped him with a comfort kit and the glass factory management presented him with a wrist watch before his departure Tuesday. It was sheer patriotism that prompted "Jimmie" to enlist as he is well over the draft age, but he just couldn't stand it any longer, and "by the Gee-John-Whizz" if he meets up with a German soldier it is going to be an unlucky day for that particular Hun.

DEATH OF J. W. WINDSOR.

From the Boyceville, Wisconsin, Press is learned that the death of J. W. Windsor occurred in that place May 10. He was a brother of Mrs. Mary A. Backus of this place, and many years ago was a resident of Smethport, his eldest child, Neva, now Mrs. A. J. Duncan of Dolpid Ark., having been born here. He was born in Franklinville, N. Y., October 31, 1836. He enlisted at the outbreak of the Civil war in the famous Bucktail Regiment, saw much service and was severely wounded. Mr. Windsor also lived in Port Allegany for a time. He is survived by his widow, several children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Another sister, Mrs. Sarah Bowers, lives in Rochester, N. Y.

—Mrs. B. T. Garlick and son, Edward, who have been confined to their home on East Main street by illness, are improving.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Choate and son, Homer, went to Olean to-day, where Homer will undergo an operation for the removal of tonsils and adenoids, by Dr. Tindolph.

WAR FUND REPORT.

The report of J. S. Walker, chairman of the Committee to raise Smethport's quota for the Red Cross War Fund, shows a total of $10568.02, or $568.02 over the amount assigned the chapter —so once more Smethport has gone "over the top."

The totals are as follows:

Smethport	$6378.22
Ormsby	36.95
East Smethport	30.00
Clermont	192.25
Coleville	104.10
Farmers Valley	35.75
Coryville	$160.00
Crosby	601.00
Norwich	1215.50
Eldred	1426.25
Betula	388.00

This certainly is a commendable showing for each community represented and Mr. Walker desires to thank all who assisted in making the campaign a success not only in Smethport but thoroughout the district included within the Chapter boundaries. All the workers were most zealous and report that they met with only the most cordial response from those from whom they solicited funds.

The Cantata "Queen of the May" which was given by the pupils of the first six grades of the Smethport Borough Schools under the direction of Mrs. E. E. Bouton for the benefit of the Smethport Chapter A. R. C. was a decided success in every way. The young performers acquitted themselves most creditably and reflected great credit upon the director. The pleasure of the audience was further increased by the appearance of a number of Smethport's leading musicians including J. L. Morrison, Miss Irma Wells, Miss Dorothy Hogarth and the Traveler's Club Sextette. The net proceeds were $119.00 which were turned over to Mrs. Lucy Backus, chairman of the local finance committee.

A cordial invitation is extended to all women to work at Red Cross Headquarters on Monday afternoons with the D. A. R. Auxiliary; on Tuesday the W. C. T. U. or on Wednesday with the ladies of St. Elizabeth's Aid Society. While, on these days, the members of these organizations make a special effort to be present, it has never been their desire or intention to exclude anyone and all women are urged to spend one or more of these afternoons at Headquarters.

PLEASE DON'T ASK FOR THE TIME.

Requesting that subscribers and patrons do not ask the operators for the correct time of day, the Bell Company, through the Local Manager, explained today that this request was most necessary because of present-day conditions.

It was stated that when a subscriber lifts his telephone receiver and asks: "What is the time, please?" the same service on the part of the operator, the same length of time and an equal use of telephone equipment generally are necessary as are required to complete an ordinary telephone call.

It was further explained that in every telephone central office is a switchboard with a certain number of operators' positions and that at each position is an operator with a certain number of subscribers' lines terminating before her. It was said that these telephone facilities are now taxed to their utmost and, as a considerable percentage of the calls are for the time of the day, subscribers will see the reasonableness of this request and appreciate that the elimination of such calls would permit of a so-called reassignment or redistribution of both operators' service and telephone equipment and result in the Telephone Company being able to care for the present abnormal demands and the even greater demands that are expected in the future.

ANOTHER MYSTERY SOLVED.

Last Thursday report was made to Justice McCarthy at Eldred, that a couple of dogs came into the Wilson & English Co.'s construction camp, north of that town, bringing in the head of a child, apparently about three years old. Sheriff E. W. Jones was notified at once and he sent the county detective to investigate the story. The alleged human head proved to be the head of a calf which added to the lively imagination of some workmen started the startling story.

FOR SALE

Overland, 5-passenger, 4-cylinder, good as new. Terms very reasonable. Inquire at this office. adv22tf

LETTER FROM WM. BROWNELL.

Sheriff. E. W. Jones, Tuesday, received the following letter from William Brownell, who left here Friday last with the contingent of draftees. Mr. Brownell was in charge of the party.

Columbus Barracks, Sunday.

Dear Billy:

I suppose that by this time you have received my copy showing the use of the coupon for meals, etc., for my party of 26. I was forced to use 10 and 15 cents for what little our men were able to grab out of the restaurant at Falls Creek, for our train was so late that it left us but ten minutes for eating and the restaurant was small. I had to telegraph ahead to Red Book to have other food prepared for us there. Would suggest that hereafter when you send contingents thru Falls Creek, you advise the leader of the party to telegraph instructions ahead so that a meal may be prepared and ready.

You will be glad to hear that I received what I considered a fine compliment to the McKean County boys. Our railroad policeman, who accompanied us from Pittsburgh to Columbus, just before our arrival in the latter place, came up to me, shook me by the hand and said that ours was the best behaved best spirited and best dispated and boisterous crowd that he had yet had the pleasure of riding with, though he had served as escort for many.

Most of the boys—all except five—leave to-morrow for Camp Gordon, Georgia, completely equipped, examined, etc. I finish examination tomorrow, for I am being delayed by poor vision.

Sincerely,

BILL BROWNELL

KNITTED ARTICLES.

To all Chapters:

We have received from National Headquarters an allotment of Knitted articles for this Division, as listed below. These must all be furnished not later than September 1st. This order is for supplies requested by our French and Italian Commissions and by our Department of Military Relief. A good supply of both sock and sweater yarn is on hand in the Division warehouse, and can be furnished to chapters on requisition sent to the Division Bureau of Supplies. It is expected that all chapters will do their full part in meeting this requirement, as the need is urgent. The full allotment to the Division is as follows:

100,000 sleeveless Sweaters.
300,000 Pairs Socks.
6,000 Helmets.
3,000 Pairs Wristlets.

J. BARTON TOWNSEND,
Associate Director Bureau Development.

ANOTHER BIG DRAFT COMING.

The next draft of the selective service men will be for 300,000 men. The men will be called on June 24 and the movement to camps will cover five days. This is the largest number of men called to the colors at any one time since the first call one year ago. While the McKean county boards have not yet received instructions on the number of men to be called, it is etimated from other quotas that McKean county will have about two hundred men to furnish. Of this number the second district which includes Smethport will probably be called upon for about 129 men.

LETTER FROM PAUL DENNING.

Mr. and Mrs. George Denning have received a letter from their son, Paul, who is with the American Expeditionary Forces somewhere in France, in which he says, "Our voyage over made successfully and I did not get seasick, as I had expected.

"England is a beautiful country and Oh! how enthused they are over us. One thought is in every mind, that is Germany will and must be crushed.

"I was just talking with Clint and Ed. They have both written home.

"Do not worry for we all shall be all right. I am sure of that.

"Your loving son,

"PAUL."

STUDY OF GERMAN ABOLISHED.

At a meeting of the Smethport School Board held Saturday night the study of German was abolished from the curriculum of the local schools and the study of French substituted. As has been previously stated, Mr. Ents has been released from his engagement as principal next year, and at Saturday's meeting C. B. Renn of South Williamsport was elected principal of the borough schools.

DO YOU WANT HIM TO FIGHT FOR YOU AND STARVE, TOO?

—By De Mar, in the Philadelphia Record.

A PRACTICAL FLOUR CARD FOR THE HOME

Howard Heinz, U. S. Food Administrator for Pennsylvania, suggests the following plan for home rationing of wheat flour, in those families where total abstinence from wheat is impossible:

FLOUR AND BREAD RATIONS PER PERSON PER WEEK

For families doing own baking, using flour for all miscellaneous purposes, including crackers, macaroni, pies, cakes, etc.	NUMBER IN FAMILY. 1	2	3	4	5	6
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
	1½	3	4½	6	7½	9
Where families buy Victory Bread they should limit the use of it as follows, as a maximum	1¾	3½	5¼	7	8¾	10½
In families where Victory bread is used, the wheat flour ration for all other purposes, including pies, cakes, crackers and macaroni purchased, etc. should be a maximum of	½	1	1½	2	2½	3
Less flour should be used if possible.						

"EAT POTATOES, GROW POTATOES, SAVE WHEAT," THE NATION'S CALL

The campaign inaugurated by Howard Heinz, U. S. Food Administrator for Pennsylvania, for the increased consumption of potatoes has only a few more weeks to run, but in that period it will be pushed with the utmost vigor. "Eat potatoes" is still the watchword of the food savers of this state. "Eat potatoes" will continue to be the watchword until there is a plentiful supply of wheat for the needs of Europe as well as America. That situation may come next fall and it may not; much depends on the weather, the labor supply in the wheat fields, and other factors.

"Produce potatoes" will continue to be the advice of the Food Administration, whether the wheat supply shall be plentiful or small. Potatoes are a good and economical food. The demand for them was increased this spring. The public taste has been educated to their use, and the knowledge of various modes of preparing them has been widely spread. In short, the potato campaign of the Food Administration has been a success. People have eaten and have been educated to eat more potatoes. A wise farmer will take his tip from this knowledge.

In Pennsylvania, this year, although there was an unusually abundant 1917 crop held over, the farmers are planting large acreages again, although not so large as last year. It is the belief of the officers of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture that the farmer who plants potatoes this year will reap a profitable crop in the fall. Both the Food Administration and the Department of Agriculture are advising the farmers of the Keystone State to plant potatoes.

Germany gets 200 bushels of potatoes to the acre on the average; the United States less than 100 bushels. Germany raises five times as many potatoes as the United States in less than one-tenth of our area. We can and we will do as well.

But that is for the future; for now, the program is "Eat Potatoes, Produce Potatoes, Save Wheat," and by doing to fulfill our obligation to our Allies.

VARY YOUR DIET; WE ARE AT WAR

Director Crutchfield Tells Housewives to Watch and Be Governed by "Fair Price" Lists.

"The people of Pennsylvania can get along comfortably and in plenty, so far as food is concerned, during the ensuing months or until the end of the war if they will only observe the ordinary rules of supply and demand in certain lines of food essentials," said J. S. Crutchfield, Assistant to U. S. Food Administrator Heinz, and Director of the Division of Distribution and General Markets.

"The question facing the people is not one of restricted diet, but of a varied diet. A knowledge of these conditions is really essential to the comfort and happiness of our people. It has been tersely put by one of Mr. Hoover's assistants in Washington, that 'the eating of wheat flour bread is a habit.'

"In the days of our fore-fathers wheat flour was a luxury. Their staple diet was corn in its various forms, and no healthier or happier people could be found on this hemisphere. But while we are asked to restrict ourselves in the consumption of wheat flour, there are a score or more of other articles of diet that can make up this shortage. It is simply a question of adapting ourselves.

"For instance, we are approaching a time of year when the markets will be filled with the finest of vegetables, considering the war-time; the prices of these vegetables will rise and fall with the supply. No housewife need be ignorant of the most varied and palatable methods of preparing vegetables to take the place of wheat. Indeed, it would be far better for the health of the country if more vegetables were eaten, even under normal circumstances.

"Vary your diet. We are at war. Supplement and substitute vegetables and meat while they are plentiful for the specialized wheat flour bread. As a rule many of our foreign-born citizens utilize bread only as an addition to vegetable dishes. The lack of it would be no special deprivation to thousands of them. The American housewife can well afford to take pattern from these races.

"Watch the vegetable markets and prices. Some of the former are unusually low in price at times; then is the time to buy and consume them.

"The people of Pennsylvania must realize that they constitute a great army, and like an army they are under orders that change from day to day. The Food Administrator of Pennsylvania is the Commanding General. Market supply and demand furnish him the basis for the "Fair Price Quotations." Watch the newspapers for the published statements by our experts as to what food supplies are normal, plentiful or scarce and be guided accordingly. There is no danger of want in a single family in Pennsylvania as a result of our war conditions, if the housewife will but adapt herself to changing conditions of food supply."

THE PASS WORD—"WAR"

"We have got to reach the place each one of us, where we define every decision in our lives as an act of war policy.

"Everything that we do, plan, eat, wear, must be analyzed and measured from one single point of view—will it contribute to the carrying on of the war, or will it contribute to its prolongation?"

—Dr. Alonzo Taylor.

HELP IN 50-50 WHEAT PROGRAM

Thousands of Retail Grocers Support Food Administration Rules.

SIGN PLEDGE VOLUNTARILY.

New Wheat Saving Program Demanded — Allied Food Shortage Increases—America Must Feed Fighters.

Explaining the United States Food Administration's new 50-50 wheat regulations is a war time task the American grocer has gladly shouldered. Many stores are already displaying their Food Administration wheat saving pledge cards, that they have signed, agreeing to carry out the new wheat program.

Each flour customer is now required to buy one pound of cereal substitute for every pound of wheat flour. The substitute may be of one kind or assorted. This 50-50 sale is made by weight and not by value of the commodities. There is, of course, no regulation demanding the consumer to buy wheat flour at all.

A wide variety of substitutes has been provided: Cornmeal, corn flour, edible cornstarch, hominy, corn grits, barley flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, soya bean flour, Feterita flour and meals, rice, rice flour, oatmeal, rolled oats and buckwheat flour.

Graham and whole wheat flour constitute an exception to the national regulation. Either of these commodities may be sold at the ratio of three pounds to five pounds of wheat flour—that is, five pounds of graham or wheat flour counts the same as three pounds of the usual wheat flour.

Mixed flours form another exception. Where any flour contains 50 per cent. or less of wheat it may be sold without any substitutes. Where the flour is mixed at the rate of 60 per cent. wheat and 40 per cent. of other ingredients an additional 20 per cent. of substitutes must be purchased by the consumer.

Where necessity is shown specially prepared infant's and invalid's food containing flour may be sold.

That the approved substitutes may be assorted is a fact many grocers and housewives overlooked for a time. For instance, if a customer wishes to buy a 24 pound sack of flour the necessary substitutes might be assorted as follows: Cornmeal, 8 pounds; corn grits, 4 pounds; rice, 4 pounds; buckwheat, 2 pounds; cornstarch, 1 pound; hominy, 2 pounds; rolled oats, 3 pounds.

None of the substitutes should be considered as a waste purchase. There are many household uses for each. The eight pounds of cornmeal can be made into cornbread, corn muffins or used in the baking of wheat bread.

Cornstarch is useful in making custard, thickening gravy or may be used in cake baking. Corn grits fried like mush forms a delicious dish, or it may be used in baking corn bread. Rolled oats are used largely as breakfast porridge or in oatmeal cookies or in making muffins.

Buckwheat flour may be used in bread making, forming an excellent substitute for one-quarter of the wheat flour, but is especially choice in the form of buckwheat cakes for breakfast.

With 11 wheatless meals needed each week in America to provide enough wheat for the allies, the Food Administration believes the substitutes will all be used to advantage.

USE LESS WHEAT.

The allied nations have made further increased demands on us for breadstuffs—demands that Americans are obligated to meet.

In the meantime America's meat supply has been greatly increased for some months to come by the unprecedented shipping to market of hogs that averaged 232 pounds each instead of 203 pounds—the normal.

The United States Food Administration, endeavoring to adjust the international food balance, promptly removed certain restrictions in this country on the use of meat and at the same time asked for a smaller consumption of breadstuffs.

We are asked to observe only one meatless day each week—Tuesday. We will have larger meat stocks for awhile. But our bread ration must be held to a minimum.

In altering its food conservation program the Food Administration emphasizes that the food situation is of necessity, subject to radical changes, caused by crop conditions at home and abroad and by the precarious transportation problem, both in overseas shipping and in America's overburdened transportation system.

The Food Administration will keep the American people fully and frankly advised of each change in the developing situation that they may know definitely the part their food sacrifices play in the world war.

FOOD CONTROL MEANS VICTORY

European Shortage Places Problem Before American Government—Farsighted Policy Adopted.

NEED 75,000,000 BU. WHEAT.

Food Administration Asks Aid of Every American in Gigantic Task of Feeding Millions.

It is the food problem over there that makes a food problem over here. If we wished to be supremely selfish—and supremely shortsighted—we could go on eating as much as we like and whatever we like, without much difficulty or interruption—at least, until the Germans came!

But we are not doing things in that selfish and suicidal way. We are trying to make a great common pool of all of our food, and all of the food of the allies, and all of the food we can get from South American and other neutrals, and dividing it up fairly among America, England, France, Belgium and Italy.

This does not mean that all of the people in the great pool are going to have the same ration, but means that we are trying to arrange to have enough for everybody, so that the soldiers—our soldiers and their soldiers—will be well fed, as they have to be to fight hard and continuously, and that the munitions workers and the workers in all the other necessary industries, and the men and women at home will all have enough to keep active and well. It is absolutely necessary to do this if the war is to be won, and we are going to do it, but it means planning, working, arranging, co-operating, being careful, not wasting, saving.

And it means that each and every one of us has got to help.

Now, we have enough and more than enough food for ourselves, and the Government is going to see to it that we keep here at home a sufficient supply of every essential kind of food to support our people. But over there they simply have not enough. Lord Rhondda, the English food controller, recently cabled the American food administrator, that unless we can send the allies before the next European harvest 75,000,000 bushels of wheat in addition to what had been sent up to January 1 of this year he could not assure the people of the allies that they would have sufficient supply of food to carry on the war.

He did not say anything in this cable about the other food necessary, but he has told of these needs in other cables—and by his actions in England. For example, his latest regulation compels a reduction of meat eating in the United Kingdom to a maximum of one pound per week per person, this pound including the bone and other waste parts in the meat as bought in the shop.

The allies must have more wheat, more meat, more fats, more dairy products, more sugar. Their harvests were very short—France had less than half her normal crop of wheat—and the available shipping is small in amount and constantly being lessened by submarines, so that it is now practically impossible to use any ships for the long voyage necessary to bring food from Australia and other remote markets. The food must come chiefly from America. In specific figures it is necessary for us to send to the allies 1,100,000 tons of foodstuffs a month. This is a great responsibility and a great problem. The food must be found, and also the ships to carry it. It is being done, but can only continue to be done by the help and full co-operation of all of us over our broad land. We must produce and save more.

To supply the wheat necessary until the next harvest, we must reduce our consumption by from one-fourth to one-third; we must cut down our usual average consumption of meats and fats by from 10 to 15 per cent, and dairy products by about 10 per cent.

Over there they are tightening their belts and doing everything they can. They are eating war bread; they are cutting down their sugar in England to two pounds per person per month, and in France and Italy to one pound—how much are you eating?—and they are using ration cards for most of the staples. We must meet sacrifice with sacrifice. If we don't, we are helping to lose the war instead of helping to win it.

Buy Local Food.

NO MORE LEAVES FOR HIM

Canadian Says It Takes Heart Out of One to Get Out of the Muddy Trenches.

"I won't go back to the trenches," said a Canadian on leave the other day, according to a Paris correspondent. "I've had enough. Seventeen months without leave. I've overstayed my leave three days now, and I won't go back until they catch me. I'd rather be in jail than at the front."

The other men at his table listened in silence.

"I won't go back, I tell you," he repeated. "This war is getting worse and worse. There never was such rubbing as we've just gone through. Don't let anybody tell you the Boche is quitting. He's fighting harder than he ever did."

The others looked at each other silently. One of them nodded in affirmative.

"It's just murder, I tell you," the Canadian burst out again, hitting the table with his fist. "Murder! A man hasn't got a Chinaman's chance out there."

The next day the same man appeared.

"I'm going 'home,'" said he. These men refer to the trenches as "home." "Only, if this war lasts forty years I'll never ask for another leave. I can't stand it. It takes the heart out of you to get out of that muddy hell for a time and see decent people."

He got up to go.

"After all," he said, "I'll do it again. A man's got to do it, you know."

HE WAS "LOGIE" TO THEM

General Who Makes Soldiers Out of Canadian Recruits So Introduced Himself to Villagers.

There was much excitement in the small village of Angus (Ontario, Can.) when work was started to transform the old pine plains into the greatest Canadian army camp—Camp Borden, observes a Canadian correspondent. The sight of soldiers and high-up military men strolling down the streets caused, to say the least, a sensation.

Two villagers were talking about the new camp one day when they noticed an imposing, well-built officer walking briskly towards them.

"Is it the general?" they asked each other, meaning Gen. Sir Sam Hughes, then minister of militia for Canada.

When the officer reached them one of the villagers stepped up to him and with the easy familiarity of a country man hailed him as follows:

"Here, there! Are you Sam?"

The officer chuckled and entered into the spirit of it and said: "Me Sir Sam! Oh, no! Why, I'm only a little fellow. Sir Sam's a prize boxer compared to me!"

"Well, what's your name, then?" the villager queried.

"Oh, I'm only Logie," was the answer of the modest but well-beloved soldier, who holds a proud record in Canada for the thousands of recruits he has turned into valiant defenders of humanity, General Logie of Toronto.

The Moon and the Weather.

People who rely on the moon as a weather indicator, writes a London Chronicle correspondent, must have very short memories, for accurate comparisons prove conclusively that there is no connection whatever between the weather and the moon's changes of phase.

Professor Schuster analyzed a whole century's weather records and, as a result, was unable to trace any lunar period in them. Several authorities are agreed, however, that there is a tendency for clouds to disperse as a full moon comes to the meridian of any place; but it is a far cry from that to the definite belief that the weather changes with a change of the lunar phases.

These changes, of course, can be predicted for years in advance with perfect accuracy, and if the weather depended on them, weather forecasting would be the simplest of all the sciences, instead of the most difficult.

The Blind Soldiers.

Statistics furnished by the French-British authorities to the American-British-French Belgian Permanent Blind Relief War Fund of 599 Fifth avenue, New York, show that there are in England, France and Belgium more than 3,000 soldiers who have been totally blinded in the war and nearly 25,000 blinded in one eye, a large proportion of whom will eventually lose the sight of the other as the result of shock or of the wounds themselves. In addition there are in France alone nearly 200 who, besides losing both eyes, have also suffered, by explosions or amputation, the loss of both arms or both legs, or a hand, and in many cases have been rendered stone deaf into the bargain.

Another Poor Guess.

Charles Darwin was the subject of a very drastic parental prophecy which went very far wrong. He was very fond of country life, and as his father's taste did not lie in the same direction, that stern parent said to Charles: "You care for nothing but shooting, dogs, and rat-catching, and you will be a disgrace to yourself and all your family."

Decay of Metals.

The most remarkable example of allotropic disintegration of metals is perhaps that of tin. The investigation has shown that the disease can only occur in a temperature not exceeding 64.5 degrees Fahrenheit. Tin decay is, therefore, most prevalent in cold climates.

LODGE DIRECTORY.

F. & A. M.—McKean Lodge, No. 288, meets on the second Wednesday of each month, at 8:15 p. m. at Masonic hall Main street.

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I. O. O. F.—Smethport Lodge, No. 289, meets Friday evenings at 8:00 o'clock in I. O. O. F. hall. Will work initiatory degree first meeting of each month; 1st degree on second; 2nd degree on third, and 3rd degree on fourth meetings.

J. A. JOHNSON, N. G.
W. G. HOLDER, Secretary.

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KATE BENDER, Pres.
ANNA O. STARK, Sec'y.

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ANNA O. STARK, Sec'y.

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MISS RITA DENNING, Secy.

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Episcopal — Rev. W. E. VanDyke, rector. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Additional services at 8 a. m., except on first Sunday of each month, Sunday school at 12:00 m.

All Saints' Memorial Chapel—East Smethport, Rev. W. E. VanDyke, rector. Divine service and Sunday school every Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Baptist Church of Smethport—Rev. W. P. Wheeler, Pastor. Services: 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 11:45.

St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church—P. J. Donahue, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m.

Swedish Mission Church—Rev. G. Pihlblad, pastor. Services every other Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. On alternate Sundays meeting in the evening only. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

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MICKIE SAYS

AIN'T IT STRANGE HOW SOME GOOD SCOUTS IN THIS TOWN WHO PAY ALL THEIR OTHER BILLS PROMPT AND REGLAR WILL PERGIT THE NEWSPAPER MAN PER TWO ER THREE YEARS AT A STRETCH?
CHARLES SUGHROE

Smethport, Pa, Thursday June 6

—The Hamlin Bank & Trust Co. has a new advertisement to day

—The Curtiss Aeroplane Corporation of Buffalo advertises for work men wanted in this issue of the MINER

—Fred I Block and Nyrda Joseph son both of Hazelhurst were married by Rev G A Pilfold in the Swedish Parsonage Wednesday afternoon May 29

—On account of the meeting of the Fire Department the Smethport Allied Band will not hold its weekly rehearsal this evening

—Masser Brothers big store has a new ad to day calling your attention to some of the seasonable lines carried by that establishment

—Meyer Zafron has an advertisement this week that every householder will be interested in Better read what Mr Zafron has to offer before you dispose of any junk

—Mr and Mrs D F Keefe of Buffalo were renewing old friendships in Smethport on Decoration Day Dan Keefe grew to manhood in Smethport and has many friends here who were glad to see him after an absence of a good many years

—The marriage of Miss Teresa Bly of Salamanca N Y and Samuel Jesse Ostrander of Bradford took place at St Bernard's rectory, Bradford, Monday evening The Rev David F Hickey performed the ceremony The bride is a former resident of Smethport.

—At St Luke's church last Friday evening the Rev Cortlandt Whitehead Bishop of Pittsburgh confirmed a class consisting of the following members, Lucy Whelan Ruth Abbey, Jeanette Abbey, Neill Holder Redfield Gillette Robert Redfield, Maxine Sasse Esther Barbour, Edna Wilson, John Summersgill

—Two young men left Smethport Friday afternoon to serve their country in the industrial service Harry Carlson of Kane started for Camp Joseph E Johnson at Jacksonville Florida, where he will be enlisted as a blacksmith, and Per Nelson of Mt Jewett started for Fort Meyer, Washington D C where he will serve as a boilermaker

—A cat owned by James Terrell of Cole avenue Bradford, Sunday afternoon bit Tom Servatius, little son of Mr and Mrs Albert Servatius neighbors of Mr Terrell The lad's injuries were dressed in the hospital by Dr Joseph Mr Terrell dispatched the cat and sent its head to Philadelphia for examination for possible rabies. Mr and Mrs Servatius formerly resided in Smethport and have many friends here who hope for the rapid recovery of little Tom

Mrs D Leo Tormey of the Farm Bureau office received a message this week informing her that her soldier husband had arrived safely overseas

The Smethport Allied Band gave a concert at the corner of Main and Fulton streets Thursday evening that was enjoyed by a large crowd of people

—Saturday Richard Koening did a very neat job in placing in position the lettering on the MINER office windows Dick is an artist at making attractive signs

—Mrs George Ross was taken to the Bradford hospital Thursday evening where she underwent an operation for appendicitis At last report she was recovering nicely

—It is feared that Ensign Clyde Bradford was lost with the transport Abraham Lincoln sunk by a German U boat but his wife was notified as his name was not yet on the list of survivors

The Interstate Traffic Center of the Rotary Club of Olean and Bradford took a trip to Kane on the Interstate Traffic Special Friday afternoon as guests of the Kane Rotary Club

Miss Edith Ross and Chief Engineer Charles Cranmer were married Saturday last at Bradford Rising Sun extends congratulations and best wishes of many friends for a happy married life

—Among the young men of the first district to leave Bradford with the contingent of draftees Saturday was Hyde L Latham son of Mr and Mrs Chas Latham who were residents of Smethport for a number of years ago

The Farm Training Camps established by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Instruction at State College Pennsylvania has been officially designated as the most important training institution of the United States

F S Carpenter of Lafayette while renewing his subscription to the MINER recently informed us that he had taken the paper for forty years Here's hoping that he makes us his annual visits for forty years more

—An appeal has been made by Edgar C Felton U S Director of Employment for Pennsylvania to judges of the Common Pleas Courts of the State to excuse farmers and farmers helpers from jury duty so far as is possible

—An egg from the flock of hens on the Perry Webb farm on Trout Brook was sent to this office yesterday which measured 10 inches one way and 7½ inches the other in circumference The egg when broken containd another hard shelled egg of goodsize and the white and yolk of another egg Hens like this are worth having—Roulette Recorder

—A wedding, pretty in its simplicity, took place Wednesday morning at Bradford when Miss Dorothy Louise Holbrook, daughter of Mr and Mrs S A Holbrook became the bride of Gail Oxley Matson The marriage was solemnized at 8 45 o'clock at the church of the Ascension Rev W H Overs officiating The bride is one of Bradford's most charming ladies whose popularity was attested by the numerous pre nuptial entertainments given in her honor Mr Matson is an energetic young business man and is salesman for the Republic trucks in Bradford Their hosts of friends wish them prosperity and happiness in their married life

—The twenty six draftees who left this place Friday morning for Columbus Barracks Ohio were escorted to the train by the Smethport Allied Band and Home Guard and a large number of citizens The Smethport schools turned out in a body to bid farewell to William Brownell, assistant principal of the schools who was one of the draftees At the station the band rendered a few selections and Attorney Guy B Mayo made a short but stirring address to the departing boys that not only aroused their patriotism to a high pitch but the crowd as well They were a happy bunch of boys when the train pulled out more than anxious to be made into soldiers

O P Hess and family, who have been living in the Mayo house on East Water street, moved their household goods to Bradford this week where they have purchased a home Mr Hess expects to return to Smethport when the window glass factory resumes operations but his wife and little daughter will continue to reside in Bradford

—C E Barrett night watchman at the Smethport Window Glass factory, related his experience during the recent cyclone that destroyed part of the plant to the writer Saturday He and his companion Harry Barber certainly had an exciting experience They stuck to their post however until they turned off the gas in the big tank and eliminated the danger of fire and they performed this task with the building literally tumbling down about them Afterward they went outdoors but the flying debris consisting mainly of large sheets of steel roofing made it fully as dangerous outside as in Their escape from serious injury was narrow and Mr Barrett was of the opinion that if the regular working force had been on duty deaths would have resulted Mr Barrett spoke of another cyclone that visited this section in 1899 and did considerable damage but he said it did not approach in severity the storm of May 27

"MEMORY MAPS" ARE FREAKS

Try to Draw Outlines of the Various Countries and You Will Be Surprised at Your Ignorance.

A man and wife sat at the table at their home trying to draw the outline map of Europe from memory observes the Ohio State Journal They soon found that they knew little about it They had been reading of European events for years and yet when they came to putting their mind picture of the continent on paper they forgot their geography entirely The man had read Anabasis and Homer in the original and yet put Greece between the Adriatic and the coast of Spain and left Austria out altogether The wife had Spain and France side by side on an east and west line with Belgium to the north overrun both while she made the boot of Italy a fish nibble \$10 either Another had all the two maps could tell they were out of America or Asia but of where he could not say

But seriously it is a delightful amusement and might with profit be indulged in more At our meets through with Europe take the other continents and the countries that belong to them And then one might come nearer home It would be really sad to observe the ignorance concerning our own localities, but it would be amusing too Just for fun have a company draw maps of Great Britain and Ireland or Turkey, China, Kansas and Nebraska Louisiana Delaware etc and watch surprised you will be to see how this old earth had changed since you trusted it to your memory

Nature of the Heart.

There never was any heart truly great and gracious that was not also tender and compassionate—South

A Life of Pleasure.

Mother, nurse put me right into the coldest part of the sea—Punch.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr and Mrs C E Larson wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to all friends and neighbors for kindnesses shown during the illness and death of their little son

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EAT CORN MEAL TO SAVE WHEAT

Super-Abundant Supply Makes Its Use a Patriotic Duty, Says Food Administrator.

SOLVES WHEAT PROBLEM

Scores of Attractive Dishes May Be Made by Use of Old and New Recipes

Thousands of tons of corn meal and millions of dollars will be lost if the American public fails to cooperate in the efforts of the Food Administration in the next few weeks

This warning is issued by Howard Heinz, U S Food Administrator for Pennsylvania, who is urging on the people of Pennsylvania the necessity of consuming the great excessive stocks of this wholesome food which has accumulated in the last month or so Mr Heinz said

"When the Food Administration last winter faced the necessity of shipping seventy five million bushels of wheat to the allies and to do so was compelled to put the people of this country on short rations of wheat flour, a warning went forth to millers all over the land that corn should be converted into flour and the meal used as substitutes for wheat

"Millers all over the country patriotically began turning out corn meal to meet the altered condition Their loyal response is known to the entire country Unfortunately, in this crisis the exceptional weather of the winter interfered with the prompt shipment of this product Millions of pounds of corn products were held in mills stores warehouses and elevators because the railroads of the country were unable to handle it

"Its as if a dam pouring into the mid atlantic section as transportation lines were able to handle it with their suit their delayed shipments flooded inland cities wholesale and retail all over the country filling their warehouses to overflowing The conditions of last winter were entirely unforeseen and could not be provided against with the result that today there is a vast volume of corn meal that should be disposed of The Food Administration in an effort to relieve the situation is urging upon the people of the United States to purchase freely of this commodity and other substitutes of a like character

"Corn meal is now on the market at a very low price—3½ or 6 cents a pound much cheaper than wheat flour and other substitutes for wheat It is one of the most wholesome of foods It can be utilized in innumerable forms in cookery and in the making of Victory bread it is equally useful Corn meal mush, fried mush corn muffins corn bread and hasty pudding are only a few of the familiar forms in which it appears on the table It is welcome in the diet of almost everyone and it contains all the nourishing qualities of the best food

OYSTER CRACKERS; GO EASY ON 'EM

Federal Food Administrator Classed Them as Bread and Says "Use Sparingly."

And now it is the festive oyster cracker that has come under the ban of the Food Administration No more can the busy citizen order 'half a dozen raw,' or "plate of clams,' and while consuming his six bivalves get away with half a pound of crackers on the side Never again, at least during the period of the war, can Mr Ordinary Citizen order "one small stew' or a bowl of soup, and when the half pint of savory mixture reaches him mix up with it a quart of crackers broken into crumbs in his dish

Because, be it known, that Jay Cooke, U S Food Administrator for Philadelphia, has decreed that crackers are in the same category as bread, and that hereafter it will be contrary to the Food Administration rulings for oyster houses, restaurants, quick lunches hotels and clubs to serve more than two ounces of crackers with an order of soup or oysters in any shape

In one way it is possible that the restaurants will regard this a blessing in disguise, for it is no secret in the trade that a great many customers consume at least one-third the value of their soup order in crackers that are served as a side dish It will be a money saving proposition to the restaurant man and will doubtless be regarded by him in that light.

The Administration is going thoroughly into the matter and investigators are expected to find where [illegible] and restaurants are [illegible]

A Little Mixed.

Evelyn, who was talking to her grandmother who had come to visit her, saw her grandfather coming and, running to the head of the stairs she cried "Come right on up, grandpa, your grandma's up here."

The One Who Does His Best.

He who does the best he can is always improving. It is this steady progress, no matter from what point it starts, that forms the chief element of all greatness and goodness.—Exchange.

Mamma Was In Earnest.

Dale's mother was washing him with an extraordinary amount of force one day when he looked up and said, "Gee, mumma, you act like this was Sunday."

Duties of Criticism.

Justly to discriminate, firmly to establish, wisely to prescribe, and honestly to award—these are the true aims and duties of criticism.—Simms.

How to Win a Friend.

The man who can love the truth that hits him also can love the enemy that hates him. Thus he may eventually win another friend.

When We Lose.

Money lost, nothing lost; courage lost, much lost; honor lost, more lost; soul lost, all lost.

Not Always.

A fellow shouldn't believe everything his press agent says about him

Eased His Conscience.

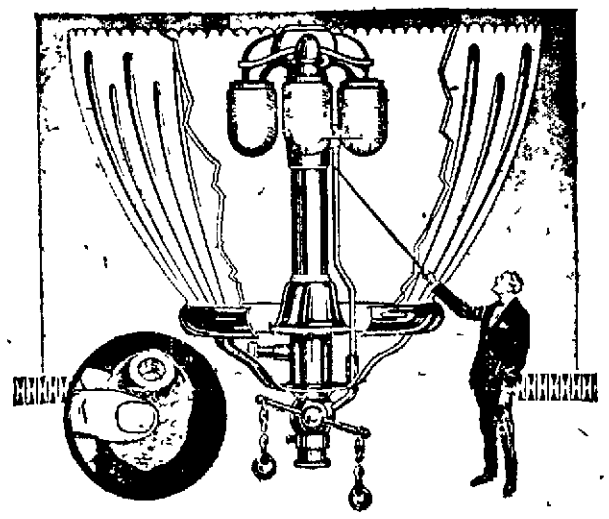
Dean Buckland when at Westminster used to tell a curious story of a brown paper parcel which he received one day by post After many wrappings had been unfolded he found a small black soldier of oak about an inch and a half long The writer of the unsigned note accompanying the parcel said that when he was a boy, many years before, he had chipped the splinter off the coronation chair. As age advanced his conscience grew troublesome, and he asked the dean to be kind enough to restore the splinter to its place.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Finding the Ship at Sea

When the captain wishes to find the position of his ship he makes a number of determinations of the altitude of the sun with his sextant bringing its reflection down until it grazes the horizon The sun's place in the sky is continually changing and every altitude means a corresponding local time He notes the difference between his time and the time of the port he left or that of Greenwich and he has his longitude By a slightly different manipulation of the same figures he finds his latitude A skillful person can locate a ship within a quarter of a mile of its true position.

Remember Little Kindnesses.

Cultivate a memory for kindnesses. Too many of us are inclined to accept small courtesies and kindnesses as a matter of course and for that reason they make so little impression upon us that they are soon lost sight of The people who seem overflowing with faith and affection and who always have a good opinion of their fellows, are the ones who find it easy to forget injuries, but who hold the kindnesses they have received fast in memory.—



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Hardware

Over A Million "C E-Z" Lamps Already In Use In The United States

NOTICE

I AM IN NEED OF YOUR RAGS
and will pay you higher prices than anyone else in the junk business.

Certain of my customers MUST HAVE THEM and are willing to pay me a price that warrants me in offering you an advance in prices over all others. If you have a few pounds on hand, a postal or 'phone message will bring me around if you live in town;—if you live out of town and will bring or send them in, I will pay you premium prices in spot cash

At present my price for clean mixed rags is 2 cents per pound, also, please remember that I pay even more that that for rags of better grades. Do not dispose of anything in my line until you get my prices, otherwise WE BOTH LOSE

I also buy all kinds of junk; metals, rubber, manilla rope, burlap, bags, etc., at top prices Present prices for scrap iron until further notice, is \$16 50 per gross ton delivered.

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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Governor,
WILLIAM C. SPROUL,
of Chester County.

For Lieutenant-Governer
EDWARD E. BIEDLEMAN
of Dauphin County.

For Secretary of Internal Affairs.
JAMES F. WOODWARD,
of Allegany County.

For Congressmen-at-Large
MAHLON M. GARLAND,
of Allegany County.
THOMAS S. CRAGO,
of Greene County.
JOSEPH McLAUGHLIN,
of Philadelphia County.
ANDERSON H. WALTERS,
of Cambria County.

For Representative in Congress
EVAN J. JONES
of Bradford

For Members of Assembly
C. W. CATLIN
of Port Allegany.
J. A. FITZGIBBON
of Bradford.

Just before the government assumed control of the railroads the first of the year, the presidents of the big trunk lines asked for an increase in freight rates of 15 per cent. whereupon a Democritic yell of derision that was heard from Maine to California was emitted. The railroads under private management were far more efficient in every branch than they have been under government control, yet the idea of a 15 per cent. increase at that time was branded as a barefaced attempt at profiteering by Democratic press agents. Only five months have elapsed since the government took over the railroads and now McAdoo has boosted freight rates 25 per cent. and also raised passenger rates from 20 to 50 per cent. this last increase something the private owners never requested. McAdoo's contempt for railroad presidents is not difficult to understand. He probably considers them mere pikers when the matter of raising rates is to be enacted.

The MINER is being bothered pretty regularly now-a-days by propositions from patent medicine advertising concerns who wish to break into its columns at about half the regular rates. While there are no doubt many patent medicines on the market that possess merit the MINER does not care for that class of advertising and has found that charging full advertising prices has a salutary effect in keeping its columns clear of "quack" ads., as the publishing trade has named them. One concern is especially persistent and has raised its bid for space by easy stages until the last one was nearly half the rate charged other advertisers. However, we see that several of our exchanges are running this concern's advertising.

Smethport will have to bestir itself in the industrial line very soon as it is losing good reliable workmen and their families at an alarming rate. While our greatest duty no doubt lies in helping prosecute the war, we certainly owe something to keeping up our industrial standard as a community, and much could be accomplished if our citizens would enter our industrial affairs for a time as wholeheartedly as they enter into wartime drives. As a matter of fact unless something is done very soon toward increasing our industries there will not be hardly anyone left to "drive."

The little 25c thrift stamps are the backbone of wartime necessities. Remember that yourself and teach it to your children. It is not the man that buys $100,000 worth of Liberty Bonds that makes it possible for the United States to finance themselves and their allies, but it is the millions of people that buy thrift and war saving stamps as a part of their daily duties. If you haven't the thrift stamp habit get it now while the drive is on. Miss a few drinks or cigars if you want to do the thing right; pass up the theater for a week and buy thrift stamps; the glow that comes with the consciousness of a duty performed is a pleasant sensation and leaves no headache the morning after.

The new National Party born in Chicago last winter, is making preparations to place a ticket in the field at the November election in Pennsylvania. A report Saturday said that State Highway Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil was slated as the probable nominee for governor; Congressman M. Clyde Kelley of Pittsburg for lieutenant governor and Gifford Pinchot as secretary of internal affairs. The National party seems to be composed of disgruntled Republicans and Democrats and that portion of the so-called Progressive party that refused to follow its leader back to the Republican fold. No matter what platform the National party may bring before the voters a vote for their candidates is going to be a blow at the proposed dry amendment which is a feature of the Republican platform. The wet forces will vote as a unit for the Democratic candidate for governor, Judge Boniwell, and while the state is normally overwhelmingly Republican, every dry vote cast against William C. Sproul, will be equivalent to a vote for the wet candidate. The National party has no apparent strength in Pennsylvania at present and cannot hope to elect its candidates, therefore its object would seem to be the hampering of the Republican party in electing its ticket, and therefore jeopardizing the success of the dry forces in the state.

Sousa, the world-famous bandmaster will assist in the War Savings and Thrift Stamp drive now in force until July 1. Plans have been completed for a tour of twenty-eight of the large cities of the country by Lieutenant John Philip Sousa and his band from the Great Lakes naval training station, with famous soloists, to present the oratorio, "Elija," assisted by choruses to be formed in the cities visited. The first concert was given in the Polo Grounds, New York, last Sunday with a chorus of 10,000 voices. Purchasers of tickets received Thrift Stamps.

The American Red Cross second war mercy fund will total over $170,000,000, which is an oversubscription of $70,000,000. In announcing these figures Henry P. Davidson, chairman of the Red Cross war council, said the returns show that more than 47,000,000 Americans—nearly half the total population of the country—contributed. Those giving to the first fund last year numbered only about 5,000,000. Every state attained its goal; five more than tripled their allotments, and sixteen states and the District of Columbia more than doubled their quotas.

One of the leading features of the impressive Memorial Day program in Smethport was the address delivered at the cemetery by the Rev. E. H. Edson, who is going to make Smethport his home for a year as rector of St. Luke's church, while Rev. W. E. Van Dyke is in war service with the Y. M. C. A. abroad. Rev. Mr. Edson's remarks on this occasion will remain long in the memory of his hearers. He said the world's war could date its beginning to the spirit that prevailed in 1775 when this great republic was launched by a band of hardy patriots—a challenge to the monarchies of the world. He spoke in stirring sentences of the war between the North and the South and assured the few surviving veterans of that terrible struggle that America would continue to produce generations that would reverently observe Memorial Day; that the memory of their glorious acts in saving the Union would ever be fresh in the national mind. Speaking of the great war of to-day he drew lurid word pictures of German brutality, deplored the lack of foresight in high places that led the nation to waste valuable years that should have been devoted to preparation for the struggle that was bound to come. Four years ago he recalled those of us who favored preparation were called hysterical jingoes, citizens of a country too proud to fight. He was glad there was no such talk to-day. Abraham Lincoln's greatness he said was due in a large measure to the fact that his finger was ever on the public pulse. He knew how the majority of the people wished him to act, and acted accordingly. He intimated that another more or less exalted personage should endeavor to do likewise. Rev. Mr. Edson surely made a very favorable impression on our townspeople who will look forward with interest to another public address by this gifted speaker.

Herbert Hoover has issued an appeal to the American people asking them to abstain from wheat and wheat products until the next harvest. He says that it is imperative that the consumption of meat and sugar be greatly cut down in this country, and says that with all its efforts the United States Food administration has not yet reached in exports the minimum amounts required abroad. He appeals to the patriotism of the people and says that such a sacrifice should be looked upon as a privilege.

"These orders stand and the only thing to do is to do the best we can—all of us—to win the war," were the words of Major General Wood in a farewell address to the officers of his late command, the 89th division of the National Army which he trained at camp Funston for overseas service. General Wood had expected to go to France at the head of this division, but at the last moment was ordered to Camp Funston to train another division. The petty meanness that has kept this greatest of all American generals in the background at a time when his country's very existence hangs in the balance is one of the crying shames of the war. However, his name will be remembered and honored when the man who is trying to shove him into retirement is forgotten dust.

COURT HOUSE NOTES.

Marriage Licenses

May 27—Harry Faulkrod of East Kane, Pa., an Anna Jones of Kane, Pa.

May 28—Gale Harling Oxley and Dorothy Louise Holbrook both of Bradford,

May 29—Peter C. Leffler of Turtle Point, Pa., and Marjorie Mae Ostrander of Eldred, Pa.

Raymond Alonza Walker and Esther Lucretia Atherton both of Gifford, Pa.

John Bennell and Eliza Stallsmith both of Lewis Run, Pa.

June 1—Charles B. Hall and Elizabeth Ross both of Smethport, Pa.

Alfred Peterson of Mt. Jewett, Pa., and Mabel Pearl Searfoss of Clermont Pa.

June 3—Samuel Jesse Overlander of Bradford, Pa., and Terese Bly of Salamanca, N. Y.

Oscar A. Swanson of West Kane, Pa., and Ruth Peterson of Kane, Pa.

Deeds.

May 27—Katherine E. Schaner to Ella E. Barker and wife Bradford, $3250.

B. M. Mott and wife to Royal Freeman, Foster, $1.

Oscar E. Gustafson and wife to A. Peters, Wetmore, $1.

A. Peter Brothers and wife to Oscar E. Gustafson and wife, Wetmore, $1.

May 28—Velma May Eymer to David Eymer, Lewis Run, $1.

John F. Ward and wife to Adam J. Eckhart and wife, Bradford, $1.

May 29—George D. Williams and wife to Ida Schwab, Bradford, $900.

Elizabeth Gallup, et al. to E. L. Gallup, Norwich, $1.

Murray Pettys and wife to Henry Treuetto, Liberty, $500.

T. F. Hungiville, et al. to C. R. Moore, Hamilton, $1.

May 30—Otto E. Grow and wife to George C. Grow, Keating, $10,000.

Katherine E. Schaner to Trustees of Bradford First Hebrew Orthodox Congregation, Bradford, $2400.

Harry C. Bemis and wife to Jas. G. Paul, Bradford, $1.

James G. Paul and wife to Grace H. Paul, Bradford, $1.

Grace H. Paul to James G. Paul and wife, Bradford, $1.

May 31—Robert A. Ohmsted, et al. to Olmsted, Elliott Co., Eldred Twp. $300.

June 1—Mary Burgess and husband to Hannah M. Campbell, et al. Kane, $1.

William Hanley and wife to Niagara Insul-Bake Specialty Co., Inc., Bradford, $7000.

June 3—J. B. Steele Exr. et al to Sarah E. Looker, Otto, $1.

Sarah E. Lookr to John C. Looker, Otto, $1.

J. B. Steele, Exr., to John C. Looker Otto, $1.

Bradford Building Loan and Saving Ass'n to J. E. Platz, Bradford, $369.60.

A. G. Summersgell and wife to Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh Ry. Co., Keating, $50.

Kane Estate to Charles W. Grolenmund, et al. Kane, $100.

Chas. Blomgreen to Fred Dolaway, Port Allegany, $1600.

Samuel T. Stoffer, heirs of to Mary Stoffer, Bradford, $1.

James Williams to Charles Monagham and wife, Bradford, $1.

June 4—Harriet C. Whittaker to James Slade, Hazelburst, $1.

Satisfaction of Mortgage.

May 27—Oscar Ceder to C. A. Anderson, Kane, $500.

W. C. Middlebrough to Mary M. Eldson, et al. Foster, $650.

Katherine E. Schaner to Morris Ellison and wife, Bradford, $1250.

Katherine E. Schaner to John B. Pearson, Bradford, $1900.

C. H. Fay to Carl W. Walling, Liberty, $850.

May 28—D. S. Loveless to John T. Ward, Lewis Run, $1.

May 30—L. M. Siggins to Samuel Fleming, Bradford Twp, $3000.

May 31—Fred R. Campbell to Sarah Gertrude Greenwood and husband Foster, $800.

Kane Trust and Saving Co., to E. E. Orcutt, Wetmore, $180.

D. O. Gallup to Aaron E. Coleman, Liberty, $850.

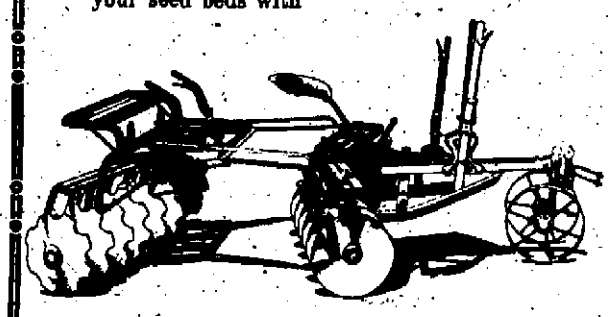
June 3—Herman Janes Exr. of to Hugh Easton and wife, Bradford Twp. $450.

Ira S. Swezey, et al. to G. W. Dalton Otto, $200.

Start Spring Right With a Good Seed Bed.

You are out to produce big crops this year. And the foundation of big crops is good seed beds.

You want to keep the moisture in your soil for it's this moisture that gives the seed good growth. And the best way in the world to keep that moisture in your soil is to make your seed beds with



Osborn Tillage Implements

An Osborne Disk Harrow disks a uniform depth the full width of the harrow. It fills your dead furrows and levels your back furrows.

An Osborne Spring Tooth and Peg Tooth harrow finishes up your seed beds as you like to see it finished. They do their work right.

The time to get these tillage implements on to your farm is right here now. Get our tillage implement proposition—you'll find it worth while. Come in any day.

HOLMES & GILFILLAN
Smethport.

EVERY DAY IS THRIFT DAY

To those who trade here. Get the best line of "substitutes" that are on the market to-day as well as the very choicest grades of staple groceries.

at

THE COLEGROVE GROCERY

The Store with many years' reputation for fair and square dealing.

YOU CANNOT

afford to insure yourself; otherwise you would not need insurance.

The same reasons that prompted you to carry insurance should, upon due inquiry, admonish you perhaps to take out more insurance, because of the increased cost of building materials, labor, and nearly every other item of expense entering into the cost of making repairs, or of re-building, after a fire. Ask

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305 W. MAIN ST. SMETHPORT, PA.

TRY THE MINER 14 WEEKS FOR 50c

FARMERS AND GARDENERS.

You can get
FORMALINE
for
SEED OATS AND POTATOES.
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SMETHPORT, PA.

UNDER MUSLIN SALE.

Assortments that will win your Approval.
Qualities that will win your Admirations.
Service that will win your Gratitude.
Values that will win your Thanks.

Items mentioned here are less than wholesale today, every article plainly marked for this sale.

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 1918

CORSET COVERS.

Extra Value	25c
Extra Value	29c
Extra Value	39c
Extra Value	59c

CAMESOLES

of Silk	75c
Crepe de chine	$1.00
Wonderfully	$1.25
pretty	$1.50
	$2.00

NIGHT GOWNS

Lace and Embroidery	$1.00
Trimmed, a fine	$1.25
Assortment	$1.50
All Sizes	32.00
Crepe Gown Extra Value	$3.75
	$1.00

DRAWERS

for children	15c
Good Material	29c
Lace and Embroidery	50c
Trimmed	75c

TEDDY BEAR SUITS

Beautiful Batiste	$1.00
Silk Mulls	$1.25
In endless pretty	$1.50
Lace and Emb	$1.75
Trimming	$2.25

PETTICOATS.
A very complete Asst.

All sizes	79c
Beautifully	98c
Trimmed with	$1.00
Lace and	$1.25
Embroidery	$1.50
all with	$1.75
Dust Puffes	$2.25
Dust Ruffles	$3.50

Dont fail to see our showing of Dove Brand Silk aud Muslin Underwear.

Masser Brothers Co
THE DEPENDABLE STORE PHONE 149

Make Your Garden Grow

By using "Nitro Fertile" The Liquid Fertilizer.

Nitro Fertile is an Odorless.

Liquid Fertilizer that goes straight to the roots; showing results in from three to ten days. Applications can be made from time to time during growing season, as needed.

Used and recommended by Professional Growers.

WE CAN ALSO FURNISH YOU WITH

"Black Leaf 40"

To protect your Roses and Fruits from insect enemies.

Pyrox

In one, five and ten pound packages

Bug Finish

By the pound and barrel. Also Arsenate of Lead and Bug Death.

THE CORNER HARDWARE.

B. T. GARLICK, Hardware
Smethport, Pa.

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Smethport, Pa., Thursday June 6.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—C. E. Z. Lights are advertised by C. W. Masser's Hardware this week. Don't fail to read about them.

—The many friends of E. A. Studholme are glad to see him around again after his serious illness with ptomaine poisoning.

—Next week the MINER expects to start the publication of the thrilling serial, "Outwitting the Hun," written by the daring American aviator, Pat O'Brien. If you are not already a subscriber better get on the list in time to get the opening chapter of this war story. It is a thriller.

—Rev. W. E. VanDyke departed Thursday morning for New York City where he entered the service of the Y. M. C. A. for overseas war work. Smethport will certainly miss Rev. Mr. VanDyke but the best wishes of all go with him. That he will meet with glorious success in the war work is a foregone conclusion; he is of the faithful and energetic type of clergymen that are doing wonderful work in the great war.

—Relatives of Edwin Irons here received word that the young man had arrived safely overseas. He is a soldier in the 319th Field Artillery that has been stationed at Camp Gordon, Georgia, all winter and was moved a short time ago to Camp Mills, Long Island.

—"Tommy" Ryan, a popular Smethport boy, now in service on the transport, "America" completed his sixth trip across the ocean, Wednesday of last week. According to reports from young Ryan the transport sunk three U-boats on the round trip, one going over and two coming back. He is having an exciting and dangerous term of service but thoroughly enjoys it.

—The officers of the McKean County Fair Association held a meeting Saturday night and now preparations have started in earnest for the big event which will be held September 10, 11, 12 and 13. Preliminary work was started on the premium list Tuesday. Miss Margaret Hungiville will look after the advertising for that publication and visited many of the Bradford advertisers Tuesday. Henry J. Rice has been prevailed upon to act as secretary another year and will be the man behind the gun in all fairtime preparations. A commendable and interesting feature this year is that all premiums will be paid in Thrift stamps.

—Born to Mr and Mrs. J. A. Swanson Sunday, May 26, 1918, at their home on West Main street, a son.

—You can solve the problem how to dress that youngster of yours—at a small cost by reading Monheimer's advertisement, in to-day's MINER.

—The Nuhondale Camp Fire Girls of Crosby held an Ice Cream social Friday evening. The proceeds were for the benefit of the Red Cross. They netted $13.30.

—Dealers are again notified that the MINER keeps a supply of the sugar certificates on hand that are required by law when a sale of more than five pounds of sugar is made to a customer.

—Friends of William Glavin are sorry to hear that he does not recover satisfactorily from the effects of the fall he sustained several months ago. He recovered sufficiently to be at work for a time, but again injured the leg hurt in the accident and has been laid up for two weks or more.

—Mrs. Alice Daly Breneman entertained a number of young lady guests at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Charles McKean, at a 6 o'clock dinner last night, in honor of Miss Irma Wells, a bride-elect. The affair was a lingerie shower. Social games were introduced and prizes were awarded.

—If some of our advertisers would take a little more pains in preparing their copy they would get a large vote of thanks from the adman. While this office contains some pretty clever rough and tumble guessers there isn't a clairvoyant on the force, consequently mistakes are liable to occur when we are confronted with absolutely unreadable copy.

—Bernard Pratt, employed at the Smethport Window Glass factory met with an accident Friday that will incapacitate him for the next six weeks. He was carrying glass when he sustained a cut that nearly severed the muscles controlling the first finger of his right hand. The present hope is that he will eventually regain full use of the injured hand but the wound is a severe one.

The MINER'S subscription list is enjoying a very healthy growth, and we are consequently pleased at this evidence of appreciation. It will be the constant endeavor of this paper to improve in every department although war-times are certainly quite a handicap in several directions. Don't get the impression from the above that there is no more room on the subscription list. We will be glad to welcome several thousand more subscribers.

PERSONAL MENTION

Robert McCarthy visited in St. Marys Friday.

C. M. Benson of Colegrove was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Sidney Burdick made Bradford a visit Tuesday.

L. V. Goding of Port Allegany was in town yesterday.

and Mrs. Walter C. Daly were Bradford visitors Tuesday.

Sam Hendrickson was in town Monday transacting business.

E. V. Barber of Crosby was a pleasant caller at this office Friday.

A. M. Thamm of Bradford visited his father, Emil Thamm, Memorial Day.

Attorney John P. Devlin of Bradford was in attendance at court this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Balz and children were Buffalo visitors the first of the week.

S. E. Evans of Olean has been visiting relatives and friends in town this week.

T. F. Quirk of Mannington, W. Va., is visiting relatives and friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Backus of Olean are guests of relatives and friends in this place.

Attorney H. S. Rogers of Mt. Jewett was attending to his clients at court this week.

S. W. Smith, a busy Port Allegany attorney, was transacting business at court this week.

Burt Wright of Instanter was in town Monday and made the MINER office a brief call.

Paul D. Hamlin of Chicago, Ill., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Eugenia Hamlin of this place.

Miss Freda Valentine returned to Franklinville, N. Y., Friday after a few days visit with friends here.

George Barber and son of Buffalo were in town Thursday night on their way to visit Mr. Barber's parents at Crosby.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potter, Miss Carrie Natello and the Misses Helen and Norine Kidder were Kane visitors Thursday, making the trip in Mr. Potter's car.

Catain M. M. Gillette is visiting his family in town. Capt. Gillette is commanding officer of the U. S. Signal Service at the harbor of Charleston, South Carolina.

Mrs. O. J. Hamlin and daughters, Misses Mirabel and Hannah, returned Tuesday from Burlington, N. J., where Miss Mirabel Hamlin graduated from St. Mary's Hall.

Mrs. Orlo Ferman and children and Miss Edna Ferman are visiting relatives and friends in Olean, N. Y.

Mrs. M. L. Smith is visiting friends and relatives in Olean, N. Y.

Miss Ruth Klein and Miss Margaret Sartwell visited Olean and Bradford Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Redfield have returned from spending a week at Saratoga Springs.

Miss Effie Ellwood of St. Catherines, Ontario, has been a guest of Mrs. Claude Shattuck for the past ten days.

Miss Margaret Barker and Mortimer Bell attended the Trig Six dance at Bradford Wednesday night of last week.

Mrs. S. C. Lovett of Pittsburgh returned to her home Sunday after a few days' visit with her sister, Mrs. C. E. Larson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hopper of Hornell, N. Y., were guests of their son, W. B. Hopper, and family, a few days last week.

J. Clayton Backus and John Saulpaugh returned Friday from Indianapolis, Indiana, making the trip in a new Marmon car.

Mrs. A. B. Wells of Trenton, N. J., arrived in town Tuesday and will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. O. J. Hamlin.

Dr. H. L. McCoy and Orlo J. Hamlin were called to Binghamton, N. Y., Saturday on account of the illness of Mrs. Henry Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Burlingame and Miss Lydia Burlingame of Kasson were in attendance at the Memorial Day exercises Thursday.

Mrs. Burdette Dickinson is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Elias Halstead, and sistre, Miss Ethel Halstead, of Paris, Canada.

C. H. Burlingame and sons, Creighton and Elvin Burlingame, came home from Erie last Wednesday and visited Smethport a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Burdick and son, Hamlin Burdick, returned Saturday evening from Staunton, Virginia, where Hamlin graduated from Staunton Military Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Capehart of Erie, Pa., have been guests of Mr. Capehart's mother, Mrs. Lettie T. Colegrove, for the past week.

Fred Lyman, the well known Shawmut engineer, visited his family here a few days this week, and made this office a pleasant call last night.

Mrs. C. P. Johnson returned last week from Washington, D. C., where she went to see her brother, Sergeant Carl E. Hanson, who is now at Camp Humphreys, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Green went to Batavia Saturday, returning Sunday in a new five passenger Buick automobile. While in Batavia they were guests of their son, Paul Green, and Mrs. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Kessler and daughters, Ruth, Nancy and Clara, left Saturday for Mercersburg, where they visited Raphael Kessler, Jr.

Miss Edna Specht was a Bradford visitor Tuesday.

Miss Bertha Kearns of Buffalo came from that city Thursday morning on the grain hearing the remains of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Kearns, which were interred in Rose Hill cemetery that morning.

Russell R. Lindsley, who was called from Camp Shelby, Hattisburg, Miss., by the death of his father, S. R. Lindsley, returned to his duties Saturday. Russell is a musician in Headquarters Co., 139th Field Artillery.

Garth E. Rumsey, wife and son of Bradford visited Mr. Rumsey's mother, Mrs. Nina Rumsey, of this place last week, and also visited some of Mrs. Rumsey's relatives in the vicinity. The trips were made in Mr. Rumsey's new car.

Mrs. Wm. Hafner, Mrs. C. B. Corwin, Mrs. H. R. Fessler, daughter, Elizabeth, and son, Herman, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Grabe in Port Allegany last Friday. Mrs. Fessler and children leaving there on Saturday for their home in Auburn, N. Y.

NEW ARRIVALS

Every Grand-ma, Grand-pa, Mother, Father or any other folks who have to look after that Youngster that he is clean and well dressed we would

INVITE

to see our stylishly made and reasonably priced

WAISTS AND WASH SUITS.

Splendid material in plain plain white, cream or fancy striped, which is ABSOLUTELY guaranteed not to fade in washing. Sizes to fit any Boy.

WM. MONHEIMER'S
THE HOME OF
ROYAL TAILORING.

Pictorial Patterns. Arrow Shirts.

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BOZART RUGS

FOR

PORCHES AND SLEEPING ROOMS.

Simplify house cleaning, Bozart Rugs are better than carpets, easier to clean, wear longer and cost less. Made in pretty patterns Fast colors, washable and durable. Sizes 6 x 9, 8 ft, 3 in. x 10ft. 6 in., and 9 x 12.

CREX MATTING

One and two yards wide at 60c and $1.25. Also rug sizes.

SUMMER WASH SKIRTS.

Plaid Silver Bloom or white Gabardine and Pique skirts $3.75 to $6.50.

"Outwitting the Hun" starts soon.

Subscribe To-Day

BANKING REQUIREMENTS.

ALL of the requirements of Modern Banking are met by the equipment and service of this Bank. With ample Resources for the safety of money, this Bank assures its depositors every banking service and convenience. We cordially invite the accounts of farmers, business men, salaried men and women, wage earners, school teachers and every woman who has the responsibilities of the home and family. Deposit all money received with this Bank and pay all expenses by writing your own checks.

Largest Resources and Complete Equipment.

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Wood Workers, Cabinet Makers, Interior Finishers, Bench Hands.

We have a place for young and old men with wood-working experience.

Send Name, Address, Age, Nationality and Experience to

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Curtiss Aeroplane & Motor Corp'n.
No. 2000 Elmwood Ave.
BUFFALO, N. Y.

Try our Store for Full Line of Housecleaning Novelties.

Our Liquid veneer makes your old furniture shine like new. This week only 25c a Bottle.

Leave your order for pineapples and strawberries to can. Our prices can't be beat!

TOMATO PLANTS, GERANIUMS, FORGET-ME-NOTS, AND OTHER PLANTS, AT BEST PRICES.

John A. Lindholm

Telephone 16-M.

CASH GROCER. SMETHPORT, PA.

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The necessity for such economy is emphasized by the most important officials of the United States Government. They are the Secretary of War, Secretary of the Navy, Secretary of the Interior, Secretary of Agriculture, Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Labor, who, constituting the Council of National Defense, have adopted a resolution urging an immediate and concerted effort on the part of all citizens for economy as an important step in the prosecution of the war. The resolution is as follows.

"The Council of National Defense and the Advisory Commission of the Council believe that a concerted effort for economy by the people of the Nation will not only go far toward paying America's expense in the war, but will also reduce consumption of raw and manufactured materials essential to the conduct of the war.

"The Council urges all to refrain from unnecessary expenditures of every kind, and to bear constantly in mind that only one thing is now of real importance, and that is the winning of the war.

"The Nation's resources in manpower, money, transportation, food stuffs, raw materials and fuel, have already been subjected to heavy strain, and it is the clear duty of every citizen to guard against increasing the strain by a single wasteful act.

"It is most creditable for everyone—man and women, boy and girl—to be economical in dress, food and manner of living. Every evidence of helpful self-denial on the part of all in a time like this is most commendable.

"This war is more than a conflict between armies; it is a contest in which every man, woman and child can and should render real assistance. Thrift and economy are not only a patriotic privilege, they are a duty."

It is signed by th Advisory Commission of the Council of National Defense—Daniel Willard, chairman, Howard E. Coffin, Julius Rosenwald, Bernard M. Baruch, Dr. Hollis Godfrey, Samuel Gompers, Dr. Franklin Martin.

Certainly a Hard One.

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Facts Versus Fancy.

"I am sure, Maggie," said the mildly critical mother-in-law, "that any woman ought to be satisfied with what John says he gives you." "So would I be with what he says he gives me," snapped Mrs. [illegible]

Patriotism.

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MARKETS NEEDED BY THE FARMERS

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MERCHANTS DO THEIR PART

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Residents of towns and cities everywhere are beginning to realize more acutely the fact that, except under very unusual conditions, their communities will prosper and develop only in proportion to the prosperity and development that comes to the farming sections which surround them. Realizing this fact, commercial clubs and chambers of commerce have in recent years been devoting as much of their attention to developing the country districts as they have to securing new industries and attracting new residents. They know that as the country about the towns becomes more thickly settled and as the farmers become more prosperous the more money will be spent in the towns and the faster these towns will grow. It is largely for this reason that the residents of the towns and cities have been doing more and more to aid the farmers in growing bigger crops and in improving marketing conditions. The towns and cities have contributed more and more liberally toward the building of good roads in the country districts and have paid a large part of the expense of maintaining agricultural experts to assist the farmers in growing bigger crops and getting more money out of their crops when they are placed on the market.

Not One-Sided Proposition.

But this is not a one-sided proposition. If the city is dependent upon the country, so is the country dependent upon the city. What the farmer raises is worth absolutely nothing to him unless he can sell it at a price that will pay him a fair return on the money and time invested in its production. The farmer, without markets, would be in the same fix as a storekeeper without customers. In almost every case the farmer is dependent upon the near-by town or city for a market for at least his perishable products.

In the language of the street, it is a fifty-fifty proposition. The town needs the country and the country needs the town. The farmer needs the assistance of the storekeepers of the town in securing a market for his products. He needs the assistance of the storekeepers of the town in getting good roads over which he may haul his products without losing more time than the products are worth. He often needs the assistance of the storekeepers in helping him over a period of financial stringency.

Storekeeper Needs Farmer's Trade.

On the other hand the storekeeper needs the business of the farmer. He does not ask the farmer to sell him his products on credit even though at the time he may be hard pushed for cash and may need more credit badly. He does not ask the farmer to help him build a sidewalk in front of his store. He does not ask for the business of the farmer provided that he can sell the farmer the goods he needs at as low a price as he can secure them for elsewhere.

But does he always get the farmer's business? Ask the mail order man in the big city or ask the postmaster or the express agent in any town or city in the country. They could, if they would, tell of thousands of dollars sent away to the big cities to pay for goods that could be purchased just as cheaply and much more conveniently in the nearest town or city. These thousands of dollars, when sent to the mail order houses in the big cities, never come back. They do not help to build good roads past the farmers' houses. When the next crops are harvested, the mail order man won't buy any of the farmer's products. The potatoes, the tomatoes, the melons and other things that the farmer raises may lie and rot upon the ground so far as the mail order man is concerned.

No Credit From Mail Order Man.

The mail order man won't sell the farmer 2 cents' worth of goods on one day's credit no matter how badly the farmer may need the goods or how little ready cash he has to pay for them. If the farmer's house burns down, the mail order man is not going to sell him any lumber on credit so that he may build another home. He will take what cash he can get the farmer to send him and there his interest in the farmer ends. If the farmer has no money to pay for what he needs, the mail order man will find others to help swell the stream of dollars which is building up his great fortune and helping build up the great city in which he lives. Let the home merchant help the farmer when he needs it. And the local merchant does help the farmer as long as he can, but there comes a time when he cannot. He cannot make money without customers. Without the legitimate profit that he makes from his sales he cannot "carry" the farmer over the rough spots, he cannot contribute to the good roads funds, he cannot pay the farmer cash for his products!

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"Over the Top"

By An American Soldier Who Went

ARTHUR GUY EMPEY

Machine Gunner Serving in France

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Most visitors have autograph albums and bore Tommy to death by asking him to write the particulars of his wounding in same. Several Tommies try to duck this unpleasant job by telling the visitors that they cannot write, but this never phases the owner of the album; he or she, generally she, offers to write it for them and Tommy is stung into telling his experiences.

The questions asked Tommy by visitors would make a clever joke book to a military man.

Some kindly looking old lady will stop at your bed and in a sympathetic voice address you: "You poor boy, wounded by those terrible Germans. You must be suffering frightful pain. A bullet, did you say? Well, tell me, I have always wanted to know, did it hurt worse going in or coming out?"

Tommy generally replies that he did not stop to figure it out when he was hit.

One very nice-looking, overenthusiastic young thing, stopped at my bed and asked, "What wounded you in the face?"

In a polite but bored tone I answered, "A rifle bullet."

With a look of disdain she passed to the next bed, first ejaculating, "Oh! Only a bullet? I thought it was a shell." Why she should think a shell wound was more of a distinction beats me. I don't see a whole lot of difference myself.

The American Women's War Hospital was a heaven for wounded men. They were allowed every privilege possible conducive with the rules and military discipline. The only fault was that the men's passes were restricted. To get a pass required an act of parliament. Tommy tried many tricks to get out, but the commandant, an old Boer war officer, was wise to them all, and it took a new and clever ruse to make him affix his signature to the coveted slip of paper.

As soon as it would get dark many a patient climbed over the wall and went "on his own," regardless of many signs warning him in the face, "Out of bounds for patients." Generally the nurses were looking the other way when one of these night raids started. I hope this information will get none of them into trouble, but I cannot resist the temptation to let the commandant know that occasionally we put it over on him.

One afternoon I received a note, through our underground channel, from my female visitor, asking me to attend a party at her house that night. I answered that she could expect me and to meet me at a certain place on the road well known by all patients, and some visitors, as "over the wall." I told her I would be on hand at seventhirty.

About seven-fifteen I sneaked my overcoat and cap out of the ward and hid it in the bushes. Then I told the nurse, a particular friend of mine, that I was going for a walk in the rose garden. She winked and I knew that everything was all right on her end.

Going out of the ward, I slipped into the bushes and made for the wall. It was dark as pitch and I was groping through the underbrush, when suddenly I stepped into space and felt myself rushing downward, a horrible bump, and blackness. When I came to my wounded shoulder was hurting horribly. I was lying against a circular wall of bricks, dripping with moisture, and far away I could hear the trickling of water. I had in the darkness fallen into an old disused well. But why wasn't I wet? According to all rules I should have been drowned. Perhaps I was and didn't know it.

As the shock of my sudden stop gradually wore off it came to me that I was lying on a ledge and that the least movement on my part would precipitate me to the bottom of the well.

I struck a match. In its faint glare I saw that I was lying in a circular hole about twelve feet deep—the well had been filled in! The dripping I had heard came from a water pipe over on my right.

With my wounded shoulder it was impossible to shinny up the pipe. I could not yell for help, because the rescuer would want to know how the accident happened, and I would be hated before the commandant on charges. I just had to grin and bear it, with the forlorn hope that one of the returning night raiders would pass and I could give him our usual signal of "sisss-s-s-s," which would bring him to the rescue.

Every half-hour I could hear the clock in the village strike, each stroke bringing forth a muffled volley of curses on the man who had dug the well.

After two hours I heard two men talking in low voices. I recognized Corporal Cook, an ardent "night raider." He heard my "sisss-s-s-s" and came to the edge of the hole. I explained my predicament and amid a lot of impertinent remarks, which at the time I did not resent, I was soon fished out.

Taking off our boots, we sneaked into the ward. I was sitting on my bed in the dark, just starting to undress, when the man next to me, "Ginger" Phillips, whispered, "'Op it, Yank, 'ere comes the matron."

I immediately got under the covers and feigned sleep. The matron stood talking in low tones to the night nurse and I fell asleep.

When I awoke in the morning the night sister, an American, was bending over me. An awful sight met my eyes. The coverlet on the bed and the sheets were a mass of mud and green slime. She was a good sport all right, and hustled to get clean clothes and sheets so that no one would get wise, but "on her own" she gave me a good tongue lashing but did not report me. One of the Canadians in the ward described her as being "a Jake of a good fellow."

Next visiting day I had an awful time explaining to my visitor why I had not met her at the appointed time and place.

And for a week every time I passed a patient he would call, "Well, well, a here's the Yank. Hope you are feeling well, old top."

The surgeon in our ward was an American, a Harvard unit man, named Frost. We nicknamed him "Jack Frost." He was loved by all. If a Tommy was to be cut up he had no objection to undergoing the operation if "Jack Frost" was to wield the knife. Their confidence in him was pathetic. He was the best sport I have ever met.

One Saturday morning the commandant and some "high up" officers were inspecting the ward, when one of the patients who had been wounded in the head by a bit of shrapnel, fell on the floor in a fit. They brought him round, and then looked for the ward orderly to carry the patient back to his bed at the other end of the ward. The orderly was nowhere to be found—like our policemen, they never are when needed. The officers were at a loss how to get Palmer into his bed. Doctor Frost was fidgeting around in a nervous manner, when suddenly with a muffled "d——n" and a few other qualifying adjectives, he stooped down and took the man in his arms like a baby—he was no feather, either—and staggered down the ward with him, put him in bed and undressed him. A low murmur of approval came from the patients. Doctor Frost got very red, and as soon as he had finished undressing Palmer, hurriedly left the ward.

The wound in my face had almost healed and I was a horrible-looking sight—the left cheek twisted into a knot, the eye pulled down, and my mouth pointing in a north by northwest direction. I was very downhearted and could imagine myself during the rest of my life being shunned by all on account of the repulsive scar.

Doctor Frost arranged for me to go to the Cambridge Military hospital at Aldershot for a special operation to try and make the scar presentable.

I arrived at the hospital and got an awful shock. The food was poor and the discipline abnormally strict. No patient was allowed to sit on his bed, and smoking was permitted only at certain designated hours. The face specialist did nothing for me except to look at the wound. I made application for a transfer back to Paignton, offering to pay my transportation. This offer was accepted, and after two weeks' absence, once again I arrived in Mussey ward, all hope gone.

The next day after my return Doctor Frost stopped at my bed and said: "Well, Empey, if you want me to try and see what I can do with that scar I'll do it, but you are taking an awful chance."

I answered: "Well, doctor, Steve Brodie took a chance; he hails from New York and so do I."

Two days after the undertaker squad carried me to the operating room or "pictures," as we called them because of the funny films we see under ether, and the operation was performed. It was a wonderful piece of

The Author Just Before Leaving for Home.

surgery and a marvelous success. From now on that doctor can have my shirt.

More than once some poor soldier has been brought into the ward in a dying condition, resulting from loss of blood and exhaustion caused by his long journey from the trenches. After an examination the doctor announces that the only thing that will save him is a transfusion of blood. Where is the blood to come from? He does not have to wait long for an answer—several Tommies immediately volunteer their blood for their mate. Three or four are accepted; a blood test is made, and next day the transfusion takes place and there is another pale face in the ward.

Whenever bone is needed for some special operation, there are always men willing to give some—a leg if necessary to save some mangled mate from being crippled for life. More than one man will go through life with another man's blood running through his veins, or a piece of his rib or his shinbone in his own anatomy. Sometimes he never even knows the name of his benefactor.

The spirit of sacrifice is wonderful.

For all the suffering caused this war is a blessing to England—it has made new men of her sons; has welded all classes into one glorious whole.

And I can't help saying that the doctors, sisters, and nurses in the English hospitals, are angels on earth. I love them all and can never repay the care and kindness shown to me. For the rest of my life the Red Cross will be to me the symbol of Faith, Hope and Charity.

After four months in the hospital, I went before an examining board and was discharged from the service of his Britannic majesty as "physically unfit for further war service."

After my discharge I engaged passage on the American liner New York, and after a stormy trip across the Atlantic one momentous day, in the haze of early dawn, I saw the statue of liberty looming over the port rail, and I wondered if ever again I would go "over the top with the best of luck and give them hell."

And even then, though it may seem strange, I was really sorry not to be back in the trenches with my mates. War is not a pink tea, but in a worthwhile cause like ours, mud, rats, cooties, shells, wounds, or death itself, are far outweighed by the deep sense of satisfaction felt by the man who does his bit.

There is one thing which my experience taught me that might help the boy who may have to go. It is this—anticipation is far worse than realization. In civil life a man stands in awe of the man above him, wonders how he could ever fill his job. When the time comes he rises to the occasion, is up and at it, and is surprised to find how much more easily than he anticipated he fills his responsibilities. It is really so "out there."

He has nerve for the hardships; the interest of the work grips him; he finds relief in the fun and comradeship of the trenches and wins that best sort of happiness that comes with duty well done.

THE END.

EXCITEMENT ON THE BOWERY

Hubbub Caused by Cry of "Stop Thief" on New York's Noted Highway Frightens Habitues.

A thief chase on the Bowery was a daily occurrence when that famous song was popular. Then the dips and others who infested that thoroughfare would hold up any passerby who they thought had anything that looked like money concealed on his person. But the light-fingered gentry and strong-arm fellows have found other fields to be lucrative, according to a New York correspondent of the Pittsburgh Dispatch.

The big street is now the stamping grounds of "weary Willies" and bums whose only vocation is to panhandle the price of a drink. So one day recently, when the old familiar cry of "Stop thief!" was heard the Bowery was almost paralyzed; everybody stood still and watched for the culprit. Soon they saw a tall, lean and hungry looking youth darting under the elevated pillars, but they made no effort to catch him. When the cops arrived on the scene the man had disappeared. "Where did he go?" hollowed one with a club, who held it threateningly over several men who stood in a doorway. "Did you see that guy running this way? Where did he go? Come on, now." But no one had seen the thief.

While the cops were making their search apathetic, cringing men came from the different doorways to learn what the excitement was all about. "My God," remarked one frowsy looking individual, as the cops departed, "I was scared it was some guy offering a job." And appreciative chuckles went up along the line.

Flower Calendar.

At Grasse, a town in southern France, the seasons are marked by harvests of flowers, for this is the center of perfume making. In February and March violets and jonquils are the crop. In the summer months roses, orange blossoms and tuberoses fill the air with sweetness. In the autumn lavendar is carried to the factories in baskets, on donkey backs and in wagons. All of these flowers are treated in much the same way. They are stuck into pure white fat, which draws out all of their perfume. This fat becomes the basis for most of the pomades and perfumes for which Paris is famous.

Clay Beds of the Connecticut.

In the clay beds of the Connecticut are found certain wonderful and beautiful concretions. These appear in four principal types: Disk-shaped, cylindrical, botryoidal (resembling grape clusters), and imitations of animal forms. The latter are the more striking, the forms imitated including fishes, birds, ant-eaters, elephants, dogs, lions, tigers, etc. A remarkable fact is that each clay-bed has a form of concretion peculiar to itself, and the principal types are never found intermingled in the same bed. The beds are composed of stratified, river-drift clays, or "Champlain" clays.

Looking at It Legally

By C. B. Lewis

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Should you imagine that Miss Florence Gale, eighteen years old, was the first girl that ever fell in love with a dancing master because he was a dancing master, then you are mistaken. They have been doing it ever since there was a dancing master to fall in love with.

Miss Florence was the daughter of a merchant, and ranked well up in the social circles of her town. There had been a private dancing class made up of half a dozen girls and young men, and Professor Paul Revillion had been engaged as director at a high honorarium.

Mind you, he had not been hired, but "engaged." He was not a teacher, but a "director." He wasn't on a salary, like a bookkeeper, but on a honorarium, if you please. His name was not Jim Scott, nor Joe Saunders, but Paul Revillion.

And the professor was nice — very nice. He was nice all over, like a rare, ripe peach. It was noticed even before the first dance was held that he had white teeth and long eyelashes.

The six young men who were to pay their good money for learning the art of dancing looked the professor over, and each and every one determined to kill him as soon as the term of lessons was finished.

The six young women cast sheep's eyes at him and mentally vowed to fall in love almost at once. It is to the credit of the sex that they kept their word. Yes, within a fortnight it was apparent to themselves and others that they were learning to love as well as to dance. The young men read the signs aright and gritted their teeth. They could and did "spat" with the foolish damsels, but they couldn't kill the professor until they had had the worth of their money.

So far as having a very serious flirtation every girl won out. Each one had reasons to believe that she was the chosen one. Each one under the impulse of romance and girlhood silliness, wrote little pink or violet notes, and they were replied to with an outpouring of the heart. The little notes and replies were pretty much alike, but it happened that Miss Gale was more industrious than the others. She wrote two notes to their one.

It therefore logically followed that when the end of the term drew near and Professor Revillion was ready for business, he possessed a package of pink notes signed "Florence" that numbered way up above the half-century mark. It did his heart good as he counted them. It did his heart good as he counted the number written to him by the other maidens.

One day Miss Florence Gale received a note from the professor that set her heart to thumping as it hadn't thumped yet. Some fiend in human form had broken open his trunk at his boarding-house, and among other things stolen was the package of her love notes. The thief had had the audacity to write that he had them, and that he would return them for $200, and not a cent less. If the professor refused to pay the money the letters were to be offered to Mr. Gale at the same price. Mr. Gale was a stern parent.

It was most unfortunate that the professor didn't happen to have $200 in his vest pocket. He could never forgive himself for his carelessness. What would "Dear Florence" do about it? Would she raise the cash or take the consequences? She would be granted three days' grace, and then she was to meet the dancing master at a certain spot at a certain hour and let him know her decision.

"Believe me, my dear one," he wound up with, "I am thinking of suicide as I pen this. If I was not almost sure that you could get the money of your father I should say farewell to you and send a bullet crashing through my brain."

Miss Florence promptly fainted away, or was going to when her mother asked her who the letter was from. She therefore decided to lie instead of faint. Her first feeling after mastering the contents of the letter was one of pity for the professor. He was thinking of blowing his head off! Her next feeling was of herself. She could no more raise $200 than she could raise $2,000,000. Had she asked her father for 75 cents he would have wanted an explanation a rod long.

Poor Miss Florence cried all one night and got up in the morning to lie again. She said it was the toothache. She had gone back to bed to cry again when — she didn't cry. A sudden thought made her sit up. What sort of a man was Professor Revillion to leave a girl to face such a situation alone? He must have a clew to the thief, as he said he had received a letter, but he had not added that he had set the law at work. He had a diamond ring and a diamond pin worth together far more than the $200, but he had not said anything of selling them to get her letters back.

"He can't be what I thought him," mused the girl; and five minutes later she was saying:

"I don't believe he was robbed at all!"

If she didn't, then what conclusion must she arrive at? No need of spending much time over the question. Love and romance had been scared away, and common sense had taken their place.

"Why, he wants to hold those letters over me to extort money!" was her exclamation.

If there had been no robbery—if the professor had the letters—if he meant extortion, then he had a great advantage and meant to use it. What could be done to stop him?

Beverly Dare was a young man of twenty-five, who had graduated as a lawyer and hung out his shingle in the town. Up to date he had had but few clients and created no stir. He was spoken of as a nice young man who would make his way, but was not much given to society. Miss Florence Gale had never met him to be introduced. But she went to him for help.

"I want legal advice," she quietly explained.

"Please state your case."

She had been a silly girl. She had been more than that, and as the penalty had found herself at the mercy of a blackmailer. She told all there was to tell, and then handed over the professor's letter.

"Do you want advice as to whether you shall pay the $200 or not?" was asked when the letter had been read.

"I couldn't pay it if I wanted to, and I'm sure I don't want to," she replied.

"Looking at it legally, Professor Revillion can be arrested and punished for extortion."

"And I can be held up to ridicule and scandal."

"Well, your letters would have to be read in court."

"Never!"

"Looking at it legally again, Miss Gale, I might try to scare the fellow into giving up your letters. Not too much scare, but just enough."

"I want something worse than a scare."

"I fail to get your idea."

"I want to meet him. I want to be firmly satisfied that he is what I believe him to be. Then I want you to give him a good whaling and take the letters away."

The lawyer turned away to smile, and then turned back to say:

"Miss Gale, looking at it legally, I can't assault and batter a man in the interest of a client."

"Then why not look at it some other way?" she asked.

"As for instance?"

"As Mr. Beverly Dare."

"H'm! I think I could do that. I cannot cite a precedent, but we can make one."

Then came details that were not strictly according to Blackstone, but very interesting nevertheless, and that night Miss Florence didn't suffer for a moment with the toothache. It was two nights later that she went to her tryst with the professor. He had been awaiting her a quarter of an hour. His anxious inquiry as he ran forward and seized both her hands was:

"For the love of Heaven, have you got the money?"

"Have you got the letters?" she asked.

"Yes—yes!"

"Professor, I cannot get the money!"

"What! But you must! Think what it means to you!"

"But you have the letters and can hand them to me right here."

"But my honor is pledged."

"To a robber!"

"See here, you silly kitten, it's $200 for this package or I raise a scandal!"

Miss Florence turned her back on the scoundrel just as something hit on him. It rolled him to the ground and toyed and dallied with him. It punched him and it slugged him. It applied epithets to him, and then applied the boot.

It was months and months later when Mr. Beverly Dare said to Miss Florence Gale:

"Looking at it legally, my dear client, I think we ought to be married on Thanksgiving."

And he also won that case.

To Give and Take.

Very often one's efforts and good intentions are not appreciated; but even so we should not lose faith in those around us. The human heart craves company and a few good friends are golden treasures, especially to the woman alone, or getting along in years, but she must respect their rights and privileges, says the New York Evening Telegram. She should not make herself unobtrusive or over-familiar, for even those nearest and dearest to us soon demonstrate the irritation they feel if we infringe upon their interests or good nature.

Keep at a safe distance the woman who does not see lots of redeeming features in others. Over-familiar persons bore their closest friends, and these tactless people are the very ones who declare that all humankind is heartless.

Red and Black Hair.

In Eastern countries red hair and warts are in the same category; but coming west as far as Constantinople, where red hair is very uncommon, we find it just as greatly admired, and henna used to make it red if it isn't, says a traveler. In England, "Titian red," as it is called, is greatly admired now, and any woman novelist who wants to be among the "biggest sellers" must give her heroine Titian red hair.

Yet in Africa a crop of the blackest, curliest, closest hair imaginable makes a girl the belle of the kraal, especially if she be plump, with peggy eyes, thick lips, a nose like an India-rubber shoe and a skin that shines like a cooking stove.

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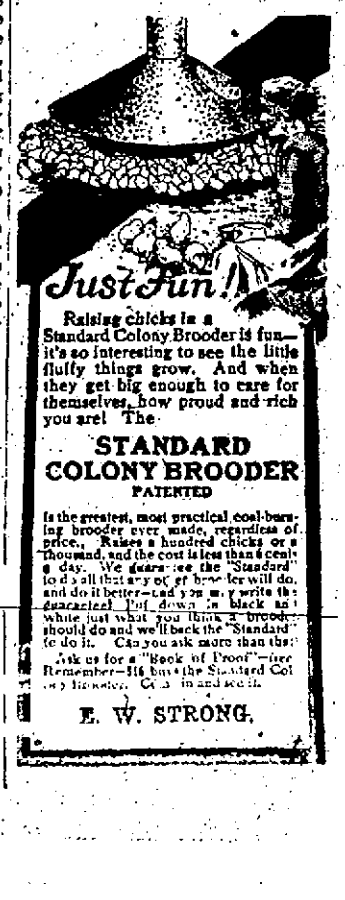

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CORYVILLE

Attended Class Day Exercises—News Notes of the Week.

E. A. Guenter was in Port Allegany Sunday evening.

Floyd Rees has been in Port Allegany for the past ten days, taking care of his brother Leigh Rees, who has been very ill with rheumatism.

Mrs. Fred Cleveland of Pierce Brook was a uest of her daughter Mrs. Nelson Rice last Sunday.

Dr. F. J. Austin, his mother Mrs. Austin, and sister, Miss Maude Austin, former residents of this place but now of West Auburn, Pa., were recent guests of friends here, the trip was made by auto—Dr. Austin owns a very pleasant home in Coryville and all would welcome them back to make this their future home.

Mrs. Murrie Wells and little son, Dale of Attica, N. Y., who have been visiting her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Asa Champlin, for the past two weeks returned to her home last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Hokanson and children of Aiken were Sunday guests of Zetto Tyler and wife.

Mrs. George Rees was a recent guest of her son Leigh Rees and family at Port Allegany.

Several from here attended Class Day exercises in Smethport, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Parker of Simpson, were guests of J. A. Sparks and wife last Sunday.

J. A. Sparks, Asa Champlin, Mrs. Zetto Tyler and daughter, Florence, and Mrs. Effie Hartson were business visitors in Portville last Friday.

Mrs. Allen Irons and Mrs. Ernestine Clark were shopping in Eldred recently.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moody and family, and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Washburne were in Smethport Sunday night.

Mrs. Mae Starkweather and daughter Margaret were in Smethport Sunday.

Born, Decoration Day to Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Gates, an eight pound daughter, Dorothy Belle.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Frank and little son Paul of Eldred, were guests of Mrs. Frank's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Fairchild last Sunday.

Mrs. Effie Hartson of Rochester, N. Y., who has been the guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Asa Champlin left on Sunday to visit her daughter Mrs. Bertha Hokanson at Aiken.

Mrs. Champlin has been very ill but is much better at this writing.

Mrs. Taylor is visiting her daughter and family at Turtle Point.

Orson Stull and wife of Smethport were pleasant callers at J. A. Sparks recently.

Mrs. Ella Holmes and Miss Thelma Sortore will leave soon for a weeks vacation in Olean and Bradford.

Arthur Nelson came home from Norwich last Saturday with his family.

Mrs. Roy Clark was a business visitor in Olean recently.

Eli Champlin and friend of Emporium were guests of his parents Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sparks were business visitors in Smethport Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Neva Hinman and Miss Vinnie Campbell of Bradford were in town Decoration Day and called at A. B. Washburn's.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Howden of Portville are living in their home here, during the factory season.

CROSBY

An Interesting Letter Containing all the News of the Past Two Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Enos Grover spent Decoration Day in Port Allegany.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry German were in Mt. Jewett last Friday.

Pomona Grange will be held in Crosby I. O. R. M. hall Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bartlett and daughter, Helen, formerly of this place, spent Decoration Day in Crosby and visiting relatives here.

The pupils of the high school went to Betula Sunday evening to attend the Baccalaurate sermon, which was preached by Rev. Ghordis Tubbs.

Miss Myrtle Hendrickson went to Warren Monday morning.

Myrtle Hendrickson is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hendrickson.

Rev. John Arters of Washington, D. C., gave one of the best temperance lectures that has ever been given in Crosby, Sunday evening.

Miss Velma Wilcox went to Port Allegany Wednesday evening to attend Class Day exercises.

Margaret Muir of Olean is assisting Earl Manwaring in his store in this place.

Mrs. Frank Grinolds went to Port Allegany Wednesday to spend Decoration Day.

The Boy Scouts of this place autoed Mr. and Mrs. Harry German and childrn, Harold and Arnold, autoed to Smethport Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bloomster and children, Erma, Gilbert and Raymond, autoed to Clermont Friday evening.

to Clermont Friday evening to attend the Red Cross meeting.

Albert Cleveland and Arthur Wilson autoed to Bradford Monday.

Misses Mabel Larson and Hannah Greely and Messrs. Vern Marsh and Raymond Grinolds autoed to Clermont Friday evening.

Alvin Allen leaves for Training Camp in Georgia May 30th.

Word has been received by John Kilcoin that his brother, Frank, has arrived safely in France.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shelander of this place are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Wednesday, May 29th.

Rev. Cummer and wife and Charles Hodges of Annin creek were in this place Sunday.

The Boy Scouts held Scout meeting at Colegrove Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Enos Grover autoed to Smethport Monday.

LARABEE

Larabee, Responded To Red Cross Call—Personal Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Crandall of of Hindsdale, N. Y., and daughter, Mrs. E. V. Ellison of Olean spent last week at their old home here.

Mrs. W. R. Evans and children were guests of relatives in Smethport a few days last week.

Floyd Moore was a Smethport visitor, Wednesday.

Wm. Wallace of Coryville was in town, Wednesday.

Mrs. Kate Freeman and daughter, Miss Helen, of Smethport were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Raszmann.

C. J. Carey was a business visitor in Smethport Wednesday.

Mrs. Eros Carpenter and daughter, Miss Nina Lee, were Olean visitors Saturday.

Mrs. J. T. Johnson and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Haynes of Sartwell.

The subscription to the 2nd Red Cross War Fund here amounted to $34.80.

Mrs. Sara Doane of Dewey, Oklahoma, is visiting her brother, C. J. Carey.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Crandall of Hindsdale, N. Y. and Mrs. E. V. Ellison of Olean were guests of Mr. and Mrs Eros Carpenter Tuesday.

Claude Haynes and friend Miss Gladys Lym of Portland, N. Y., are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. J. T. Johnson.

Miss Zelda Carpenter has accepted a position in Olean.

Miss Kathleen Johnson spent Saturday in Smethport.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reed and children of Cole Creek called on their daughter, Mrs Arthur Hibbard, Tuesday.

Mrs. F. A. Moore of Coryville visited relatives here, Monday.

KANE.

Lieutenant Black Gassed—Only One Case in Court—Firemen Quit.

Because the fire of one of the yard engines was not clean a local fireman quit his job on the spot Saturday night. The fact that the government regulations call for ten days' notice when a man wishes to leave did not change his mind. He had been employed by the Pennsy for over 12 years and was in line for promotion.

Actual work on the brick highway between Kane and Kanesholm was started Tuesday morning.

Kane has only one case in criminal court at Smethport this week, and prides itself on the fact that it is reforming.

Second Lieutenant Black, who was recently gassed in action on the French front, has written an encouraging letter to his parents.

Cablegram announcing the arrival overseas of Second Lieutenant Elisha Kent Kane, son of Dr. Evan O'Neill Kane, was received this morning. Lieutenant Kane is serving in the heavy artillery. He was commissioned at close of officers' training camp at Camp Hancock.

Dewitt Short, a local barber, wended his way to the stream of the Old Watermill, leaving here Monday morning at 3 o'clock, and returned five hours later with the finest string of large trout displayed here thus far this season. While there were only five in the lot, three of them measured about 15 inches and the other two nine inches. Among a nice string that Campbell Crawford brought in on Saturday was a trout that measured 19 inches.—Republican.

PORT ALLEGANY

Patriotic Family—Farewell Party—Many Visited Smethport.

Mrs. Alice Cole of Roulette was in town Wednesday with the Potter county drafted boys, having among them three sons. They were Vern Cole, who was drafted, and Max and Floyd who enlisted. Mrs. Cole also had another son, William, who was recently killed at Roulette on a switch at the Gray Chemical works. Mrs. Cole has one other son. This family is certainly doing their all for their country.

A farewell party was given Saturday evening at the home of Otto Antonson, in honor of Theodore Antonson, Edwin Wennnerstrom and Algot Anderson. Teddy and Edwin left Tuesday for Camp Lee while Algot has not yet received his call but expects it in the near future. All three are very popular young men who will do their part in helping whip the Kaiser.

A large number of Port Allegany people went to Smethport Wednesday evening to attend the demonstration given in honor of the drafted boys. Among those who went over were: Margaret Funcheon, Anna Neptune, Mary McRae, Bee Buckley, William Scott, John Springer, Ralph Catlin, Grace Connolly, Florence Connolly, and others.

Arvid Jackson and Ed Lindholm of Smethport motored here Sunday. The former is a brother of Mrs. Walter Hall and as on his way to enlist in the service of Uncle Sam, at a camp in Ohio.

W. E. Black and family were at Smethport Monday to view the damage done by the tornado at the poor farm and vicinity.

C. W. Littlibridge of Smethport, superintendent of the McKean county schools, was visiting the schools in town on Friday.

Misses Ruth Walker, Mayme Potter and Messrs. Lawrence Morrison and Mr. Davis of Smethport were in town Friday evening to attend the dance.

Port Allegany boys of 21 years of age will have to go to Smethport next Wednesday to register for the draft.

Gordon Studholme was a business visitor at Smethport on Saturday.—Argus.

ELDRED

Here From Oklahoma—Home From Florida—Daughter Graduated.

Cashier and Mrs. O. D. Underwood attended the commencement exercises at the Syracuse, University, in Syracuse, N. Y., Wednesday, to be present at the graduating of their daughter, Miss Edna A., who, in a class of about 475, was one of 72 to receive honors. Miss Underwood's completed a classical course.

Charles Payne and family returned Monday night after spending the winter in Florida. They are all in good health and the Southland seem to have agreed with them all.

Last Friday evening about fifteen young people gave a farewell party in honor of Arthur Barkas, at the home of Miss Letha Wood. Mr. Barkas expects to enlist in the service soon.

Mrs. Sarah Doane of Dewey, Okla., arrived here Wednesday, and will make her home with her brother, C. J. Carey, this summer.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bernard, Monday, a girl.—Eagle.

FOR SALE CHEAP.

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Million-Dollar Brain.

"Old Bostely says he has a million-dollar brain," observed the man who was always picking up information. "He's quite right," answered the other; "it would cost him fully that much to find out what's the matter with it."

Lest We Forget.

We too often forget, wrote Herbert Spencer, that not only is there a soul of goodness in things evil, but very generally a soul of truth in things erroneous.

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Ladder of Fame.

There are splinters in the ladder of fame. But you never notice them until you begin to slide down.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Enjoyed the Call.

Nan—"I enjoyed Mr. Borem's last call ever so much." Ann—"I thought that you weren't home?" Nan—"I wasn't."

Without a Question.

Many men opposed to vivisection have been known to "split the kitty."—Hartford Register.

In Her Kit Bag.

Women are never stronger than when they arm themselves with their own weakness.—Mme. de Gratigny.

SUGAR PROBLEM IS SOLVED; SMALL SACRIFICE REQUIRED

Consumer Assured of Stocks For Preserving—Should Cut Table Use One-Quarter—Manufacturers Provided For.

The patriotic Pennsylvanian will join hands with Mr. Hoover and Mr. Heinz in their effort to save sugar, in order that our allies in Europe may be supplied with that very necessary article of diet. After all, the task set for the consumer is not a heavy one. "Cut your use of sugar about one-quarter," said Howard Heinz, U. S. Food Administrator for Pennsylvania, to an audience of Philadelphia housewives a few days ago. Surely not an onerous requirement.

To the manufacturer of certain products containing sugar the Food Administration says:

"Limit your use of sugar to 80 per cent of normal," and even to this rule there are exceptions in favor of manufacturers who produce such necessaries as fruit and vegetable preserves, catsup, chili sauce, canned milk, jams, jellies, ice cream, medicines, apple butter, honey, and meat preparations in which sugar is used for preservation.

For the housewife who desires to lay away preserved or canned food supplies against the future, special dispensations have been made. A simple system of sugar certificates enable her to obtain sugar in 25-pound lots from her regular grocer for such purposes, as well as the usual supply for current table and cookery use, in lots of 2 to 5 pounds at a purchase for residents of towns and cities and in 5 to 10 pound lots for country dwellers. To obtain these small current supplies no certificate is required.

There is plenty of sugar in Cuba and Hawaii, but enough ships to transport it all cannot be had, but your Uncle Sam has arranged to give the American public 80 per cent of the usual amount and that's enough. Just "do your bit" in this sugar matter—the little bit the government asks of you—and the problem will be solved. Save a teaspoonful here and a tablespoonful there, and help to whip the Hun.

USE A LITTLE LESS MEAT IN YOUR DIET

Reasonable Reduction of Consumption Necessary to Aid in Supplying Our Allies.

While the Englishman has been limited to two pounds per week of any kind of meat, the dweller in the good old Keystone State has been permitted for the last two months to "eat his head off" if he felt like it. Now poor old John Bull must pull his belt a little tighter still, for his weekly ration has been cut to less than a pound a week of such flesh as beef and other "butchers' meat," and a small additional quantity of bacon, fowl, rabbit, venison or horseflesh.

Pretty tough for John; for you will remember that he has always been a heavy meat eater, and the "roast beef of old England" is famous around the world.

But John Bull is at war and we are fighting with him, shoulder to shoulder. In the matter of food, we are better off than he; it is our good fortune, not our right, in this world crisis. We would have no real cause to complain if we were compelled to take pot-luck with him. How much less cause, therefore, for any American to quibble or whine when the Food Administration asks him to cut down his consumption of meat a little—just reasonably—to meet the demand for shipment abroad to hungry John, who right now has mighty little of his favorite food and who, as our ally in arms and messmate, is entitled to this slight consideration?

Meat once a day is enough for most of us. Smaller portions and less "heavy feeding" would make most men and women healthier, wealthier and happier. In this country right now the supplies of other food than wheat, meat and sugar are greater than ever before in history. Utilize this condition of abundance to aid our Allies and save the world from the domination of the Hun.

FOOD CONTROL RESTRICTIONS

One thing that people are beginning to recognize is that the Food Administration will be just as ready to raise the restrictions upon the consumption of food when conditions warrant as it was vigorous in applying them. The Food Administration is a war agency. It is not an agency for correcting the habits of the American people, or for reforming American economic practices. It is co-operating with the American people to help them to win the war.—AMERICAN GROCER.

Battles in Kitchens.

The most momentous battles of the "Great War" will be fought and won in American kitchens. The American woman has in her keeping the destinies of the world and will fight the decisive conflict for a free earth. In her own kitchen with no other uniform than the kitchen apron and surrounded by her little ones she will "go over the top" to victory.

Barberry Is a Hun—Kill It.

The tall barberry is an enemy of the United States, because it is an enemy of wheat. Wheat rust is spread with the pollen from the barberry flower. Dig out the barberry by the roots before it has time to bloom.

This is one way to fight the Hun.

No wheat to be used in manufacturing for anything but food.

Cut down the consumption of wheat by at least one-half.

WOMEN'S RESERVES CALLED TO COLORS

In Garden and Kitchen They Must Back Up the Fighters in the First Line.

In this great crisis of the world's history it is necessary that women live greatly. At the battle front they have performed prodigies of valor and have been decorated with the Cross of War for heroism under fire. The American woman, too, would like to drive an ambulance and bring out the wounded under shell fire; but the work behind the lines is even more important. It is not the single act of heroism that will win the fight, but the steady sticking to the job.

It is not a new task to which the woman is called, but the age-old task of feeding the family. Like the tribal women of old, we have sent forth our men and children to war, and we must take up the great first task of feeding for the family. But unlike that tribal woman, whose horizon was bounded by the tribal hunting ground, our horizon is the world. Our family that must be fed is made up of the great nations whose armies united under a single leader are facing the enemy. For those women who have eyes to see this is the coming back into a lost kingdom.

This year's campaign is a struggle of reserve against reserve; America is the last reserve; in overwhelming numbers our forces are being moved to the front; and behind the lines the women are asked to bring up their last reserves of energy and intelligence in the practical carrying out of food orders.

The food situation must steadily degenerate as long as the war lasts. It is therefore of prime importance to add every item to the total production. No woman with a foot of growing space at her disposal can afford to be merely a destroyer of rations, a dependent on the food supplies of a starving world. The Allied nations look to America for food. One object of the Food Administration is to bring as much food as possible under control and distribute these supplies where they are most needed.

America is today the careful guardian of the needs of the world. As the Food Administration anxiously counts the dwindling bushels of wheat, it asks of every woman, "To what extent can you make your home independent of this common store?"

How many potatoes and how many beans will you need? How many jars of tomatoes and how many of peaches? Sit down with pencil and paper and make a definite plan, remembering that every woman's real war work is to make the home pantry as independent as possible of the world pantry. Take stock of what you used during the winter and of what you have left on hand. Make an estimate of your grocery orders for the past winter and plan this year to reduce these to a minimum by substituting your own products. For instance, for sugar, substitute sorghum syrup and honey if they are available; for candy, home-made crystallized fruits and fruit pastes; for raisins, dried cherries; for tropical fruits, native fruits; for Brazil nuts, walnuts and hickory nuts; for canned meats, home canned meats; for shipped breadstuffs, neighborhood meals and flours.

To sum it all up—stop eating freight. Transportation is the greatest problem of the war and shipping space the most precious thing in all the world. Above all, don't eat from the pantry of the hungry Allies. With a little planning and much hard work you can fill your pantry with home-grown foods.

Now is the hour of our testing. Let us make it the hour of our victory—victory over ourselves; victory over the enemy of freedom.—Home Card, 1918.

BUSH HILL.

Personal Items of Interest from a Busy Neighborhood.

Mrs. Thos. Smith was a pleasant caller on Mrs. Peter Fay and family Wednesday last.

Cena Freer of Open Brook called on her aunt, Mrs. Henry Jordon, Sunday.

Nellie Smith who has been assisting Mrs. John Walters of Port Allegany, with her house work during the illness of her daughter, has returned to her home.

Theo Cleveland and Francis Cory motored to Port Allegany Saturday evening. What???

Raymond Comes is delivering mail on our route.

Thos. Smith, son Thos. Jr., and daughter, Nellie, were Smethport shoppers Saturday evening.

Some jitney between Smethport and Port Allegany.

P. S. Crossman was calling on Thos. Smith Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McKiernan and children of Crosby spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Anna McKiernan.

Straw Hats.

PANAMAS,
SPLITS,
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Frank W. Bloomster, and
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Or to their attorney JOHN N. APPLE, Smethport, Pa.
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